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GLAD TIDINGS OF GREAT JOY  
FROM PAINTING BY PLOCKHORST

Special Christmas Number, 1906

*Steadily growing and conducted on the principles of conservative banking along progressive lines,*

# The Oakes National Bank

submits the following comparative figures as evidence of confidence and esteem on the part of a patronizing public.

Comparative statement showing increase in deposits at the end of each six months since the opening day:

October 15, 1903, \$ 11,084 79

April 15, 1904, 44,384 49

October 15, 1904, 54,914 39

April 15, 1905, 65,533 07

October 15, 1905, 105,150 45

April 15, 1906, 138,486 60

October 15, 1906, 168,593 03

*Report of Comptroller of Currency*

*CONDENSED STATEMENT*

At the close of business Nov. 12, 1906:

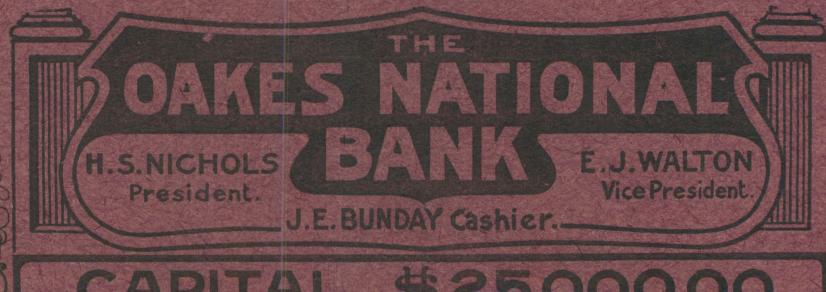
**RESOURCES**

Loans and Discounts.....	\$128,836 81
U. S. Bonds and Premium.....	26,300 00
Banking House and Furniture and Fixtures.....	9,300 35
Cash on Hand and in Banks.....	65,513 07
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	\$230,010 23

**LIABILITIES**

Capital Stock.....	\$ 25,000 00
Surplus and Profits.....	4,564 57
Circulation.....	25,000 00
Deposits.....	175,445 66
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	\$230,010 23

The above statement showing the handsome increase in our business during the past three years speaks not only for the bank but for the community whence it derives its patronage. Each six months has marked another milestone on our steady progress and is a potent illustration of the fact that the wealth of our city and community is rapidly increasing, and of the further fact that we are serving our customers satisfactorily. This is a bank of the people and it will be the aim of its officers to conduct its business in such a way that it will merit a continuance of the excellent patronage which it has received in the past.



**CAPITAL \$25,000.00**

# Christmas is Near at Hand

We have been living in an atmosphere of the Christmas season for some weeks.

The interest in our display has been unusual because we have an unusual display

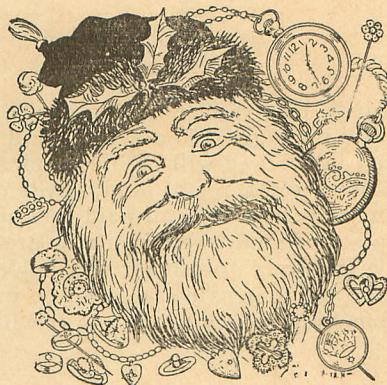
Our ante-Christmas business has been even larger than we have looked for, so we are hoping for lively times during the final scramble.

We expect it for several reasons:

**First** Because as an ideal present jewelry stands supreme, especially so at Christmas. This is the time set apart the world over for an exchange of affections.

**Second** This store is well equipped and keeps the kind of goods to please all sorts of people.

**Third** Our prices are right. We give the wants of customers careful consideration and are always pleased to show you the merits of our goods.



The ring display will appeal to hundreds of shoppers, from one dollar up to hundreds of dollars. All gems singly and in tasteful combination.

The watch selection will be found very attractive from \$2.00 to \$75.00 for men, women and children.

Our Silverware and Cut Glass stock is nothing but best quality and the prices are reasonable.

There is a large showing of smaller articles, Brooches, \$1.00 to \$30.00; Chains 25c to \$12.00; Bracelets, Neck Chains, Combs, Stick Pins, Cuff Buttons, Lockets, Charms, Emblem Pins, etc., etc.

## At Last a Merry Christmas to All

especially if you get an Edison or Victor Talking Machine. We have them both. Prices from \$10.00 up. Come and hear them.

Come Expecting to Find Ample Selections

Come Expecting to Get Generous Values

## E. A. MOE, The Jeweler

Railroad Watch Inspector

OAKES, NORTH DAKOTA

## *How To Make a Fortune*

A careful study of the following will open the way for you to fame and fortune. Please read it carefully:

### *Make Your Dollars*

by investing right now in a choice piece of good land. How about the children and the future? Buy the boy or the little girl 160 acres of land and when they become of age give it to them. They will then have a start in life and will be independent the rest of their days. Do not ask them to toil like you have. Think of the value of 160 acres of land, say ten years hence. Or you could buy the land for them and let them pay for it as they can, and when it is all paid for they will have something that is better than a bank account. If you had bought a piece of land where you now are five or ten years ago, how much more money would you have made? Do not take anybody's word for this. Use your own judgment and your own money. Good land is a good investment and it is safe and sure, no matter whether you intend to live on the land or not. Get the land and let it be making money for you. It will do it, and do not forget the children.

### *The James River Valley*

Our lands lie principally in the James River Valley, along the lines of the North-Western, Soo and the Northern Pacific railroads, and all are within a short distance of market. When you see our lands you will say that they are as fine as anything you ever saw. They all say so. We will at any time, on short notice, send a man to the home of the landseeker and he will be pleased to give any information you wish in regard to our lands and will arrange for cheap rates.

### *Our Responsibility*

Regarding our responsibility, we refer you to the First National Bank of Oakes, the Oakes National Bank, or any business house in this city. We have been in business here over nine years; have sold in that time over 160,000 acres of land and everyone of our customers is satisfied with his deal and could take a handsome profit on his land, were he to sell it. We would be pleased upon application to send you names of some of the men who bought land of us. You can then correspond with them and find out for yourselves.

### *Climate and Crops*

Our climate is bright, beautiful and invigorating. The average rainfall east of the Missouri river is twenty-three inches, and more than eighteen inches of this falls during the five growing months, thus insuring a good crop. It is needless for us again to tell you about the enormous crops which we raise here in the James River Valley; from 25 to 30 bushels of macaroni wheat and from 15 to 20 bushels of flax is not considered a very large crop here. This country is also fast developing into a corn growing country, and some of our farmers are raising as much corn per acre as in Iowa, Nebraska or Illinois.

### *One of Our Bargains*

The Eaton ranch, consisting of 828 acres as fine land as the sun ever shone upon, lies right in the James River Valley, with two miles of river front; the soil is a deep, black loam with clay subsoil and free from stone; every foot can be farmed; about five hundred acres now in culture; nearly all fenced; has a good set of buildings and a fine artesian well of fine clear water; water piped through the house; only four miles from one good town, five miles from another and three miles from elevator; look up cut of buildings on page 26. It will pay you to write and get further particulars and price on this farm.

We have a great many improved farms in size from 160 acres upward, at reasonable prices. We also have about 20,000 acres of unimproved land for sale very reasonable. Remember that we are the oldest and largest real estate dealers in this city and we can give you good bargains at all times.

For maps and information, address:

**H. J. JOHNSON LAND & CATTLE COMPANY**

OAKES, NORTH DAKOTA

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It is our constant aim to please customers with the best of goods at reasonable prices

FOR

**Guaranteed** Keen Kutter tools and cutlery

**Garland** and other high grade stoves and ranges

**Jewel** and Quick Meal gasoline stoves

**Sharples Tubular** and

**Empire** cream separators

**Samson** windmills and pumps

**To Be Comfortable** in winter, ask me for prices on a hot water heating plant for your home

YOU WILL FIND ME "JOHNNY ON THE SPOT"

## The Corner Hardware

J. W. BUSH, Proprietor

We can paint the town with Blood's Pure Paint

### Prescription Precision

When the prescription is brought to us every ingredient, every quantity and every detail of compounding is **Right**—precisely right.

Is not this unfailing prescription precision, this certain medicine correctness, worth coming here to get?

"**Yes**" can be your only answer. Then get all your medicine prepared at

**S. L. Harris  
Drug Store**

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GOOD judges of soda drinks have pronounced our fountain specialties first rate.

That our soda is worthy of their decision is shown by the increasing number of lovers of good soda that frequent our fountain.

Every glass is delicious and served daintily and appetizingly.

**S. L. Harris  
Drug Store**



From left to right: Lars Wold, Tom Johnson, Fred Boethling, Henry Boethling, Walter McDaniel, Elmer Forney, E. S. Forney, Fred Knock, C. P. Walton.

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**Yes, it's made right here in Oakes**  
**The Famous**  
**Golden Star Flour**

**Known from Los Angeles, Cal., to Boston, Mass.**

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Something more than a Star surrounded by a dozen red letters has done this, that something is

**Quality of the Highest Type**

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**THERE IS NO BETTER FLOUR MADE THAN GOLDEN STAR**

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**Insist** on your grocer giving you GOLDEN STAR. It may cost him a little more than other flours, but it is worth it to you.

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**Oakes Mill Company,**  
Oakes, North Dakota

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Kennedy Block

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The Recreation and Refreshment Center of the City

First Class  
Equipment, Service  
and Goods

## Confectionery

Only the Best

Fresh Shipments Weekly

Special Christmas Line

ICE CREAM and  
SODA PARLORS  
IN SEASON  
◆◆◆  
Glenwood Soft Drinks  
Exclusively

CIGARS and TOBACCO  
FINE BRANDS ONLY  
◆◆◆  
Meerschaum  
and Briar Pipes  
◆◆◆  
Smokers' Goods

## Hot Drinks

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Chocolate with Cream,  
Beef Tea, Clam, Chicken,  
Tomato Bouillons, etc.

## Books and News

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Magazines, Stationery,  
and  
Art Novelties

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BILLIARD, POOL and  
PRIVATE CLUB ROOMS  
Entirely Separate  
but in Connection  
◆◆◆◆◆

## HICKS GROCERY CO. OAKES, NORTH DAKOTA

WE wish to acknowledge to our many patrons that we are very grateful to them during the past six years for making our success possible, and wish in the future to merit a continuance of the same business confidence. We shall endeavor at all times to procure the best of everything in our line, and sell the same at lowest prices.

Wishing all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and soliciting in advance your trade through 1907, we remain,

Yours most respectfully,

HICKS GROCERY CO.  
OAKES, NORTH DAKOTA

## Photo Sense

The craze for cheap photos is passing. Everybody now realizes that to produce a pleasing picture requires something more than a mere knowledge of how to operate a camera. Cultivated taste demands a photo that is not only mechanically and chemically perfect and represents nature at her best, but one that portrays the subject in its most pleasing aspect, emphasizing all its beauties and suppressing all its defects—in other words

### Nature idealized.

That is why

### Johnson's Studio

is so freely patronized by people of culture and refinement, not only from Oakes, but other and larger towns. If you want photos that are gems of pictorial art, call on

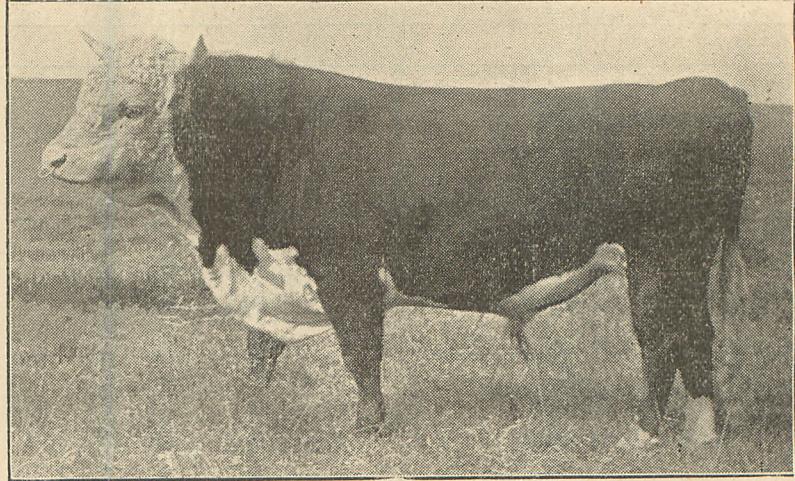
**Johnson, The Picture Man**

# REGISTERED HEREFORDS

LORD WILTON STRAIN

Farm  
Raised  
for  
Farmers'  
Use  
at  
Farmers'  
Prices

Herd of my breeders may be seen  
at top of page 19 of this number

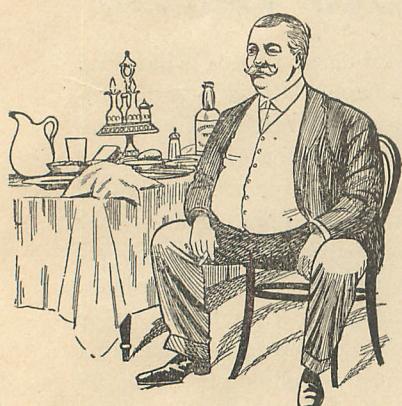


TOM, No. 164738

Two-year-old, raised by H. F. Eaton, sold to I. Honl, Oakes

## H. F. EATON, Oakes, North Dakota

### *The Senate Cafe*



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Recently redecorated, refurnished and modernized.

Good cooking, quick and clean service.

Has been located in the same place and under the same management for three years, and if you are willing will stay three years longer.

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Yours for business,

**W. T. Brown**  
Proprietor

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Looking  
for a  
Restaurant  
Look  
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The  
SENATE  
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## 500 Men, Women, and Children

### Wanted at Once

To buy  
Dry Goods  
Millinery  
Furnishings  
Shoes  
and Groceries

at

## THE ECONOMY STORE

J. H. JESSON, Prop.

Oakes, North Dakota

# What we say we do, we do do

## We Get the Buyers      We Sell the Land

List your land direct with us, and, if the price is right, we will sell it. Don't list your land with people who seldom, if ever, sell a farm, except by relisting with some active land company. This relisting always makes the price high, therefore the chance of selling less. Or, in other words, why pay them a good commission for doing nothing?

Deal with  
the old  
and Reliable

Correspondence solicited from,  
both buyers and sellers



We have good renters  
and get the highest rent

We manage non-resi-  
dent property

Our commissions are  
the lowest

We have the largest force in this part of the state engaged exclusively  
in the land business.

We have land for sale in  
AMERICAN SETTLEMENTS      GERMAN SETTLEMENTS  
CATHOLIC SETTLEMENTS      SCANDINAVIAN SETTLEMENTS  
BOHEMIAN SETTLEMENTS      FINNISH SETTLEMENTS

## Large Sales and Small Profits

Write for our free illustrated booklet of Farm Scenes



*With homespun gowns and dusting caps, as cute as they could be;  
They wanted all the world to know how they looked after tea.*

*—From "That Party at Bush's," by Long Fellow.*



BATCH OF NORTH DAKOTA EDITORS AND WIVES ON BEACH OFF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

## SOMETHING ABOUT NORTH DAKOTA

**N**O state in the union is making greater progress these years than North Dakota. The vast acres, the abundant harvests, the cheap land, the large flocks and herds, have been an incentive for people to come by the thousands. The trend of immigration and of farm settlement and development has been wonderful in the past ten years. In 1880 we had a population of 36,909; ten years later in 1890 this had grown to six times as many, 182,719; in 1900 this had again about doubled, the census showing a population of 319,146; the past five years showed another gain of 118,000, and by this time we have passed the half million mark. The state has reached a point where it is growing all over. There was a time when the Red River Valley was about the whole thing but that time is past. The attention of our settlers has of late years been attracted to the central and western portions, which are being rapidly settled and developed.

### The Famous Jim River Valley

No part is enjoying a greater prosperity than the Jim River Valley, which has become famous for the splendid advantages it offers for diversified farming. This part of the state does not need to be drained to carry off the excess water like the Red River country. The land slopes gradually toward the river, which only overflows low lying spots in its course here and there. In the earlier stages of development of this splendid valley the best results were not obtained. The people who had settled in it had turned their attention exclusively to wheat raising. Bonanza crops were looked for each year, and when farmers failed to realize their expecta-

tions, many of them abandoned the land as unprofitable. Some went back to where they came from, some farther west, and some across the border into Canada. These same men today realize their blunder. The people who have stuck to their farms and injected a little common sense into their management are well off today in a financial way, while those who left have in the main made miserable failures. Many of the old timers who remained are now selling their farms at good figures, and making homes in the cities where they can spend the balance of their days in ease and comfort.

### The Missouri Slope

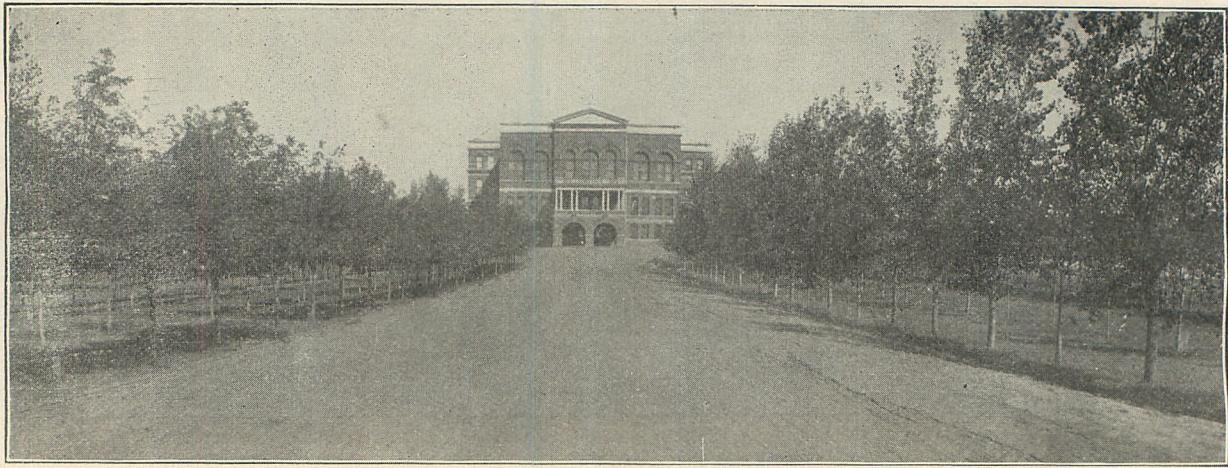
To the west of the Jim River Valley lies the Missouri slope, a country that is undulating and more adapted to the raising of live stock. Thousands of new settlers have flocked there the past few years, and the country is developing fast. The valleys in the western part of the state are very rich for agricultural purposes, and the big ranches are being cut into small farms, and in a few more years no land of any kind will be left for the homesteader.

### The Developers of the State

The great development of the state has been due in no small measure to the activity of the railroads. Three great trans-continental railway systems have their main lines running through the state, and a fourth road, the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, cuts through the southwestern corner of the state with its new Pacific coast line. New branch lines are being built each year, and with the extension of the roads settlement is promoted,

towns built up, and the state developed with reciprocal benefits to the roads as well as to the people. Over 500 miles of railroad were built in the state during 1905, the most laid by all roads in any state for the year. Minnesota is an old state and a wealthy state but listen to what

the present time possible. The period of drouths is over. There may be occasional ones, for no country fit for the habitation of white men is perfectly safe from them. But there will be none such as the early settlers experienced. The reasons are palpable. The changed



VIEW OF THE STATE CAPITOL AT BISMARCK

President Hill of the Great Northern said in a recent address:

"I have lived forty-nine years in Minnesota. That state has more timber, more fresh water and more people than North Dakota, but there are only about fifteen cities in Minnesota where the railroad companies do a business of more than \$100,000 a year, while in North Dakota there are thirty-eight towns doing that business."

This fact is significant when it is borne in mind that Minnesota is forty-eight years old and North Dakota but seventeen.

#### Resources of North Dakota

North Dakota contains 70,195 square miles. Its farm products in the year just passed averaged more per capita than any state in the union; each man, woman and child having a ratio of \$350. It took first place in the United States in the production of wheat with 75,623,044 bushels; first place in oats with 46,594,381 bushels, and first place in flax with 15,743,184 bushels,—or in other words, North Dakota has raised more than 50 per cent of the total amount of flax raised in the United States. It took third place with barley by raising 19,326,244 bushels. It also produced 2,458,683 bushels of corn, 2,000,000 bushels of potatoes, 1,300,000 tons of hay, \$60,000,000 worth of live stock, \$5,000,000 worth of dairy products and \$500,000 worth of poultry and eggs, making a grand total from all farm products of \$150,000,000 from 50,000 farms, an average of \$3,000 each from field and garden crops alone.

#### Our Changing Climate

The changes in the climatic conditions in this state are such that people who have been absent from the state for ten years can hardly believe the conditions at

conditions of the Northwest are responsible for the change in the climate. Before the country was broken, the sod was impervious to water, and the rainfall ran from the surface into the coulees to be carried to the lakes and rivers, leaving no moisture for evaporation. Each season this condition grew worse; the amount of available precipitation gradually becoming less. To make matters worse, the Indians were in the habit of burning the prairies in order to drive the game to the rivers and lakes, and this left the surface of the prairies parched and barren. With the breaking of the lands more moisture was absorbed, and consequently more was retained for evaporation, and more rainfall resulted. Each year more land has been broken, thus enlarging the water-absorbing area and the reverse of the early conditions is making the rainfall each successive year larger. The breaking of the lands in western Canada, and the prevailing winds from that region, moisture laden, which, meeting the warmer currents from the south in this region causing heavy precipitation, is another strong factor in taking North Dakota out of the arid belt.

#### Not the Land of Mortgages

The way they are piling up wealth in North Dakota is another thing of which few people are cognizant, and yet the figures are as interesting as they are impressive. It is not any more the land that is burdened with mortgages. The money that was loaned in the early days to prove up on land and give some newcomer a start has been paid off, and now the farmers have money in the banks. The West formerly borrowed money from the East, but now conditions have been reversed. The banks of North Dakota have more money now than they

can invest, hence the rate of interest is becoming lower and improvements going on more rapidly.

In 1900 the state had 27 national banks with deposits of \$5,093,730. In 1905 the state had 97 national banks with deposits of over \$16,000,000, and 332 state banks with deposits totaling \$13,060,795.65. A little comparison here with our sister state of South Dakota would be of interest. The latest report at hand of the national comptroller of the currency, showing the condition of national banks at the close of business January 11, 1905, gives the number of national banks in this state as 85, against 67 in South Dakota; in these banks in loans and discounts North Dakota had \$13,339,149.05, South Dakota \$10,899,693.72; U. S. bonds to secure deposits, North Dakota \$205,000, South Dakota \$300,000; banking house, etc., North Dakota \$737,523.78, South Dakota \$622,991.58; other real estate and mortgages owned, North Dakota \$241,870.28, South Dakota \$79,379.80; capital stock paid in, North Dakota \$3,150,000, South Dakota \$2,625,000; surplus fund, North Dakota, \$536,287.36, South Dakota \$349,396.56; individual deposits, North Dakota \$14,758,989.86, South Dakota \$11,961,380.89; U. S. deposits, North Dakota \$181,106.37, South Dakota \$239,502.61. North Dakota has 85 national banks compared to 28 for Montana, 26 for Idaho, 37 for Washington, 37 for Oregon, 79 for California, 64 for Colorado, 77 for Missouri, 84 for Michigan, and so on.

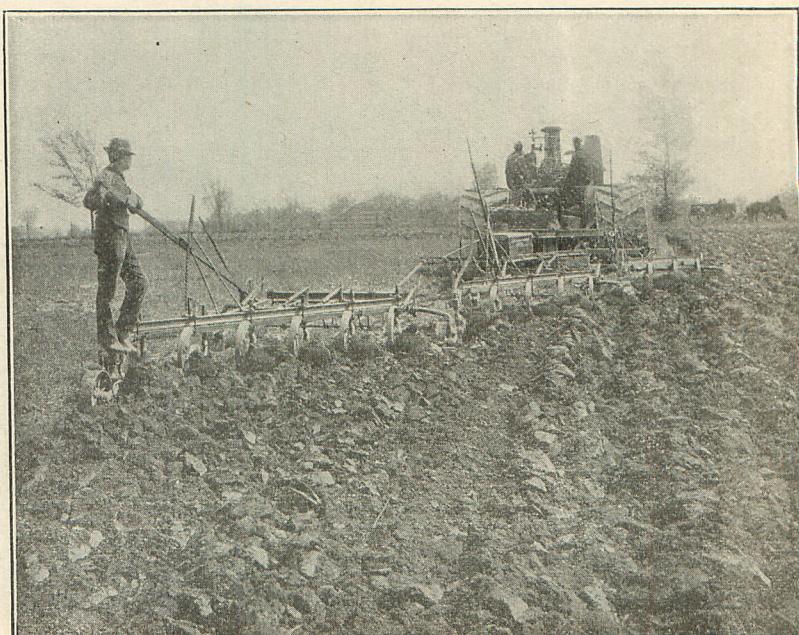
#### Brome Grass and Timothy

The introduction of brome grass in North Dakota ten years ago has led to wonderful results in its growth. It stands the winter well and is yet green when the native prairie grass has turned brown. Stock of all kinds eat it entirely, not rejecting any part of it. One man netted \$27.50 per acre for the seed alone, and every bit of the straw was eaten by the cattle. The accompanying cut

shows a field of timothy. This is very productive and the seed as well as the fodder makes excellent feed.

#### Grow Corn Successfully

Corn is becoming one of our leading crops. Some



NO STUMPS NOR STONES TO STOP THE PLOWMAN

people farther east and south think this is too far north for the successful raising of this cereal, but a drive into the country any of these years, especially in the southern part, would convince the most skeptical, that we raise the very best kind of corn. This year frost did not reach us until October 4th and last year the first nipping frost came on October 6th. This gives corn an excellent chance to mature. Some results this season are reported at forty bushels per acre. North Dakota produced in 1905 over 2,000,000 bushels of corn and the approximate average was 25 bushels.

#### Have You Noticed

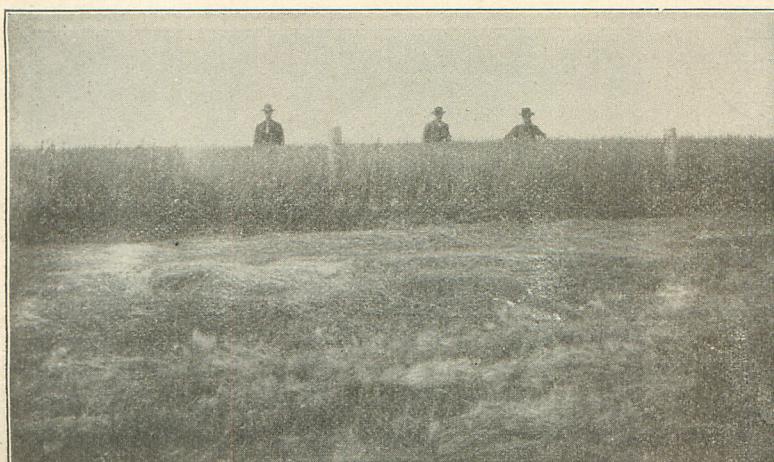
That the state has 25,000 square miles of lignite coal fields, with ninety or more mines in operation, producing in 1905, 200,000 tons.

That there are over one thousand churches in North Dakota, with property valued at \$3,000,000.

That in 1905 our assessed valuation was \$195,000,000; actual valuation, \$1,250,000,000.

That in health this state heads the list. The census shows the death rate to be 7 for each 1,000 persons, while the birth rate was 36 to each 1,000 persons.

That the North Dakota exhibit received highest award, grand prize and eighty-three gold medals at the Portland exposition.



TIMOTHY FIELD IN DICKEY COUNTY



CORN FIELD EAST OF OAKES ON FENTON FARM

**Good Place to Live**

Get acquainted with North Dakota. The better you know it the better you like it. It is a good place to build a home, a good place to farm and to do business, a good place to get a comfortable living, a good place to educate your children, a good place to enjoy your last days and a good place to be buried.

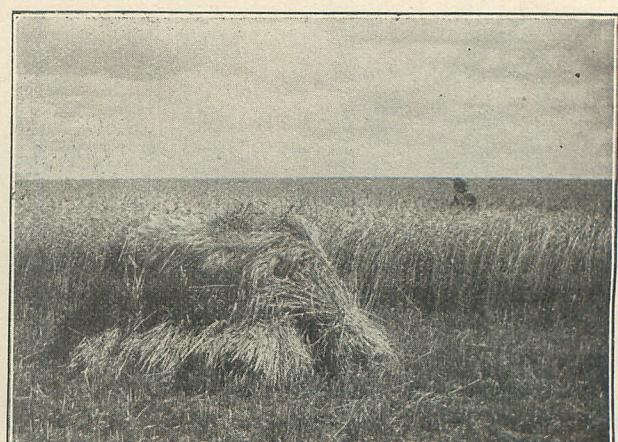
A writer has said: "Encomiums on North Dakota have heretofore been discredited as giddy panegyrics, but the truth is now out and the well informed everywhere are according to her rank and honors proportionate to her worth and deserts. If in seventeen years of statehood she has forged her right to her present guaranteed eminence among the commonwealths of the republic, with the development of a mere moiety of her wonderful resources scarcely more than entered upon and many yet remaining untouched, we have little cause to fear for her future grandeur and exaltation in the necessities it takes to make a great people. In the constitution of the middle west North Dakota is an acknowledged factor; the middle west of late years, with the evolution of its possibilities in infancy, has become a potentiality forcibly in evidence not only in the councils and affairs of the nation but in the markets across the seas as well. North Dakotans have good reason to felicitate one another on their great luck and happy lot. It seldom falls to an agricultural people to be equally fortunate, where trouble and drawbacks are at a minimum, where successes and comforts are at a maximum. Horace

Greeley forecasted the future with a prophetic foresight and struck a resonant keynote when he said: 'Go west, young man, and grow up with the country.' "

**North Dakota in Harvest**

"No more may the bard be a prophet; but in the great future to me  
 There gathers a dim, hazy mirage of what thy full glory shall be:  
 When thy elm-bordered rivers full flowing, wind ever thru oceans of grain;  
 When the sounds of thy herds, gently lowing, rise like murmurings soft  
 of the main;  
 When the spires of great cities rise skyward from the grain-checkered  
 disk of the plain;  
 What star in our flag shall outshine thee, Dakota?  
 Dakota! Proud Queen of the Plain!"

—C. W. Hall in National Magazine.



NORTH DAKOTA WHEAT FIELD

## OUR SPLENDID EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM

THE educational fabric of this young and progressive state has been constructed on the sure and broad foundation of experience, and into its fiber is woven the warp and woof of the better learning of the older states—and of the world for that matter. It was not long since that America's eminent educators sifted out and appropriated to their purposes the fittest in the educational systems of all nations, to which have been superadded the best that has come from our educational institutions. Thus, from the start, North Dakota's educators had the advantage of selecting from the well organized and maturely developed systems. That they have made excellent and wise use of their superior opportunities goes without saying. The federal provisions for the support of our public schools when fully grafted into their operations will impel the unfolding and perfecting of a splendid system which will always be a magnetic attraction to families with children ambitious for mental training and culture.

The grant made by the federal government for the aid of common schools and state institutions was approximately 3,170,000 acres of land. Of this, practically 500,000 acres have been sold. The sale of this small amount has created an endowment fund for the common schools of \$4,429,021.68. Of this amount \$1,818,784.43 has been

paid in. For the various state institutions an endowment of \$1,782,612.55 has been created, of which \$326,529 was in cash. On this endowment the interest is six per cent for deferred payments on land, and usually four per cent on money invested in bonds. It is not difficult to see that our schools have a rich inheritance.

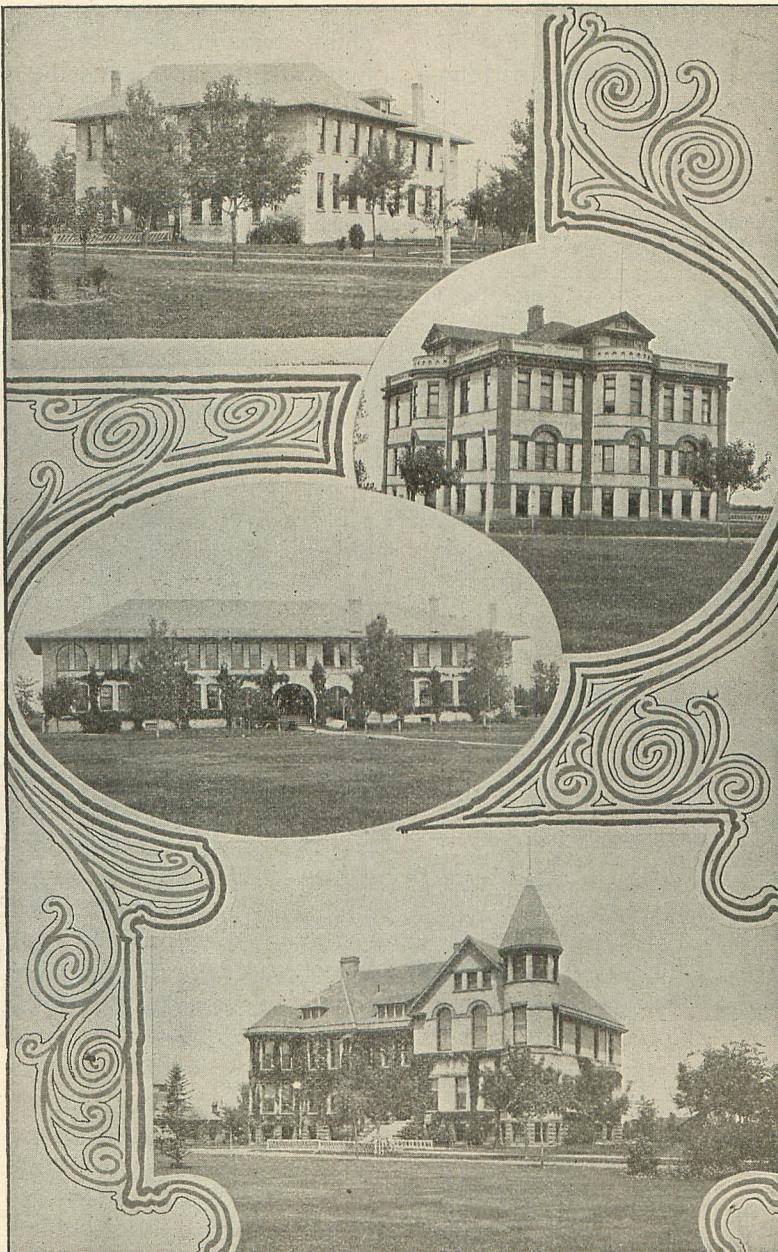
If the balance of our lands should be sold at the minimum price of \$10 an acre, it would create a fund of \$33,000,000. About \$950,000 of the amount on hand has been invested in school bonds and first mortgages on lands throughout the state.

The interest and income from the common school fund for the year ending June 30, 1903, was \$2.36 per capita. In 1904 this had increased to \$2.82 per capita and in 1905 to \$3.50 per capita. The number of school children enumerated in the state in 1905 was 126,912; the number of teachers employed was 5,714; average monthly salary paid was \$43.73; amount paid to teachers during year, \$1,363,788.65; amount paid for educational purposes \$2,575,157.67.

To give a correct idea of some of our educational institutions we are pleased to give some views and a little history of those who were good enough to furnish it.

### The Agricultural College

This institution was located near Fargo about seventeen years ago. The type of education represented by the Agricultural College has a direct bearing upon the industrial interests of the state, and as a result the institution has made rapid growth from the beginning. The Agricultural College and Experimental Station have 640 acres of land lying immediately northwest of



GROUP OF AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE BUILDINGS

Fargo. Nearly a quarter section is set apart for campus, athletic field and barns.

At present there are seven large brick buildings used for library, administration, class room and laboratory training, besides nine other buildings used mainly for caring for live stock of various kinds, feed, farm

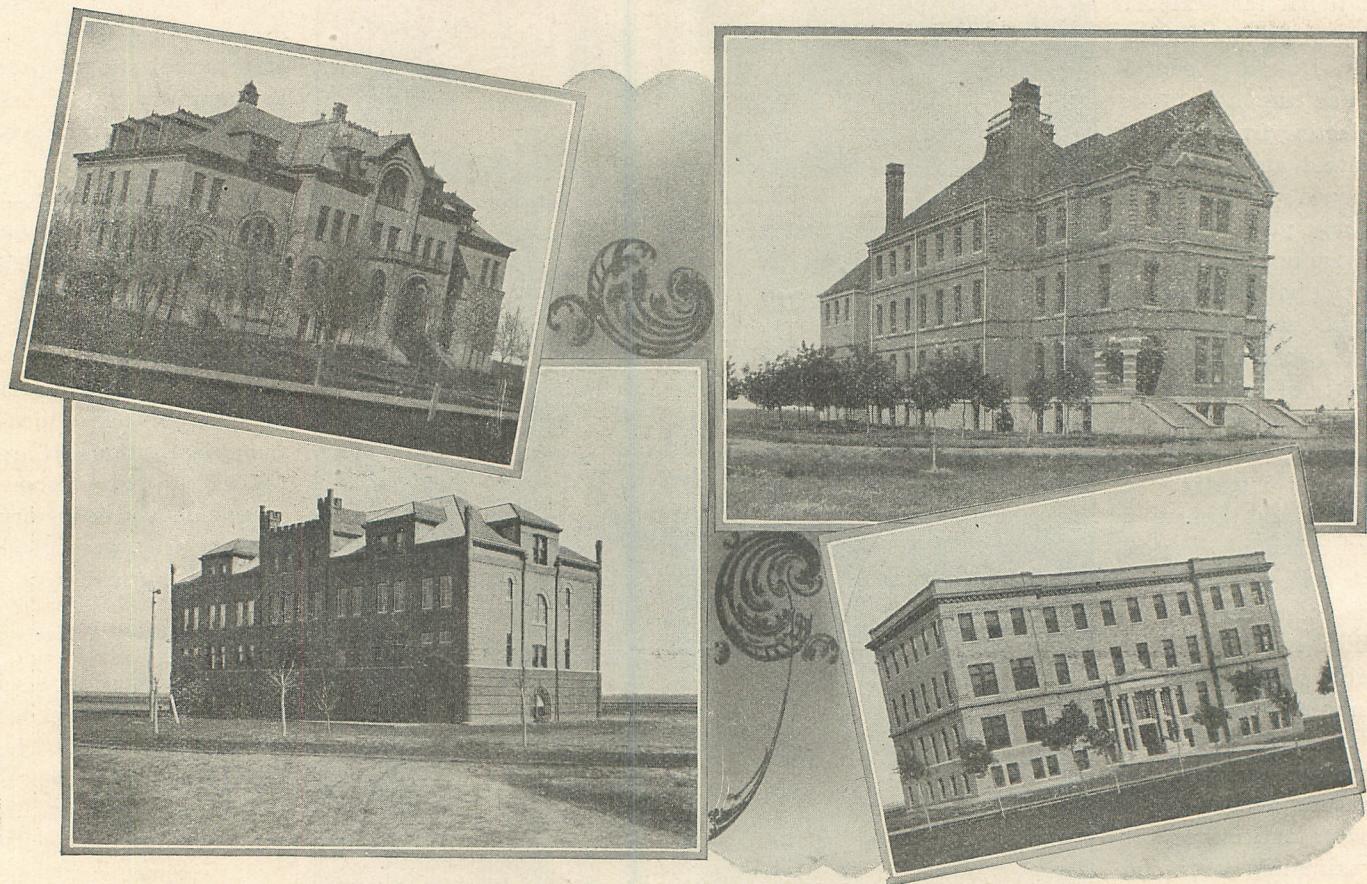
machinery, dairying, stock judging, etc. More than forty men and women, all specialists in their respective lines, make up the faculty and station staff.

About eighty acres of the farm is devoted to experiments with all kind of grains and grasses, with a view to their improvement both by breeding and improved methods of tillage, and also to combat plant diseases. About twenty acres are devoted to trees, shrubbery, hedge rows, garden truck and orchards, partly for the purpose of demonstration, and partly for experimentation. The remainder of the farm is used for pasturage, hay and ordinary farm products. It has an endowment of 40,000 acres and is presided over by John H. Worst.

in connection with the university a school of commerce and a preparatory department.

The university has eight fine buildings and is about to erect a Carnegie library building to cost \$60,000. The buildings are heated by steam and lighted by electricity. The University faculty numbers fifty-one members. The student enrollment during the last year was 750 and gives promise, during the present year, of reaching nearly or quite the 1,000 mark.

It is believed that our own state university affords to young people as good an opportunity for securing a high class education along almost any line of work as can be found at any institution in the country. It has a land grant of 40,000 acres and Webster Merrifield is its president.



GROUP OF UNIVERSITY BUILDINGS

#### The University of North Dakota

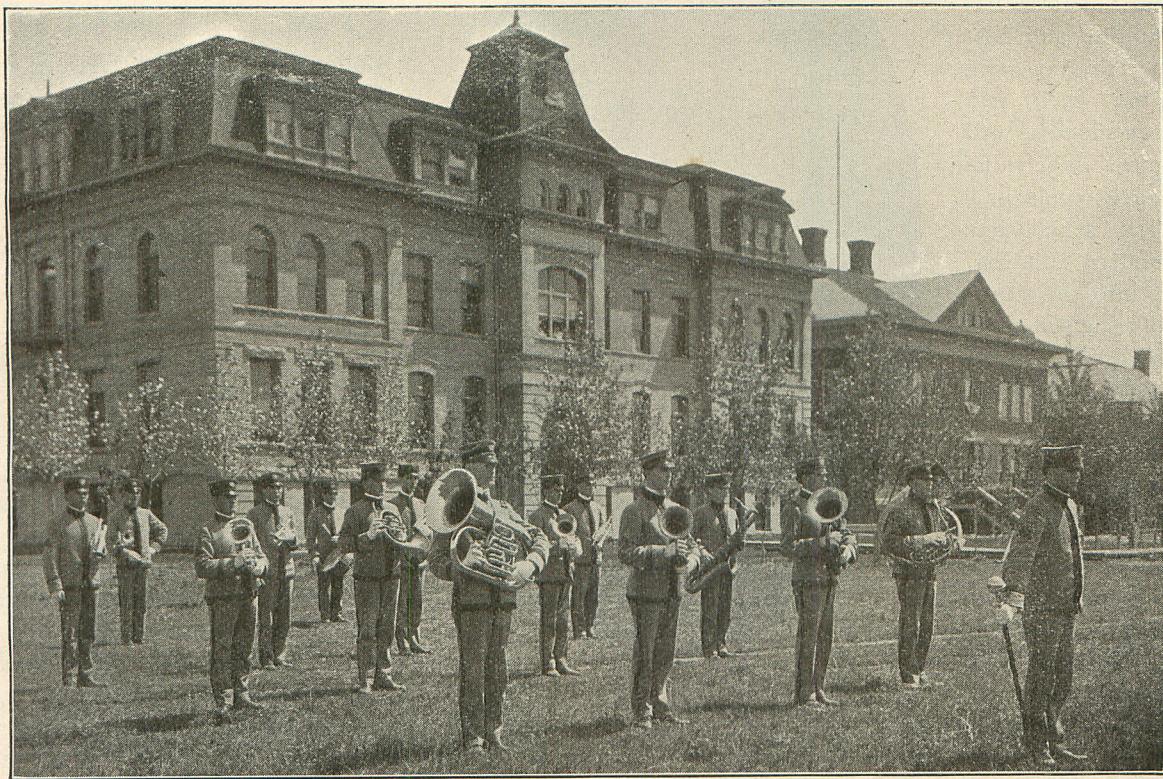
The State University and School of Mines of North Dakota was established by the act of the territorial legislature, February 13, 1883. It is located at University Station on the main line of the Great Northern railway, one mile west of the city limits of Grand Forks. The following colleges have thus far been established: The College of Liberal Arts; The Teachers' College; The College of Law; The Colleges of Mechanical and Electrical Engineering; The College of Mining Engineering; The College of Medicine.

In addition to the above colleges there are maintained

#### State Manual Training School

This school is among the most practical of our state educational institutions. It stands as an exponent of modern education. Its courses are designed to join thought and labor, intelligence and force, "to make the thinker a worker and the worker a thinker." The manual training idea has been much misunderstood. It does not mean hand-training any more than pedagogy means foot-training. Manual training stands for the education of all the faculties—head, hand and heart. It embraces the highest type of mental, moral and physical training. This school affords students opportunity to

pursue the usual higher academic courses in literature, science and mathematics, and at the same time to receive a thorough training in drawing; in the use and application of tools; in the domestic and fine arts; and in the business affairs of life. While the constructive, mechanical and inventive impulses receive their full



MANUAL TRAINING SCHOOL BUILDINGS

measure of attention, it is not the purpose of this school to train mechanics or domestics or any class of specialists, but its courses are designed as much for the student of the humanities as for the prospective worker in force and matter.

It is located at Ellendale, the county seat of this county, and was organized in September, 1899. The first building was erected at an expense of \$10,000. It was only two years later that more room was needed to accommodate the large body of students, and the state was not then able to raise the funds for a new building. It was here that the resourcefulness of W. E. Hicks, its first president, and Congressman Marshall came to the rescue when they were successful in getting a loan of \$35,000 from Andrew Carnegie. The next summer a fine building was erected and named Carnegie Hall, and last year there was added an armory building at an expense of nearly \$10,000. Part of upper story of Carnegie Hall has been reserved as a dormitory for young ladies.

The school is equipped with all modern improvements. It has a land grant of 40,000 acres. The faculty now numbers fifteen teachers, of which W. M. Kern is president.

#### State Normal School at Valley City

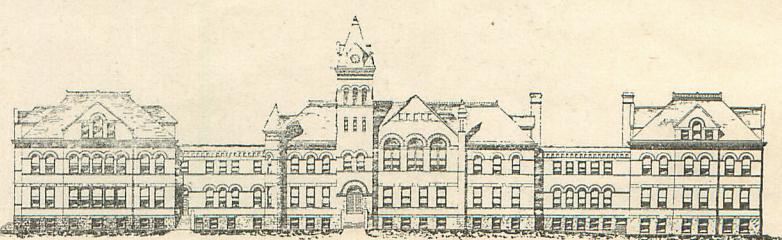
The school at Valley City opened October 13, 1890. March, 1892, an act was approved providing for its temporary maintenance, it having been previously maintained by the subscriptions of the public spirited citizens of Valley City. In March of the same year another act

was approved providing for the erection, operation and management of the normal school of the state. A board of management was appointed, and the school opened its doors September 28, 1891, in a building rented for the purpose. Under the act above mentioned a building was erected and dedicated December 6, 1892. The work was conducted along substantially the lines laid out at first in the one building, until

June 8, 1904, when the west hall was dedicated. January 10, 1906, the east hall for practice department was dedicated. The two wings with the main building, give the entire expanse of the building 325 feet, as shown in the cut which is published herewith.

It offers a four-year course for graduates of our common schools and has a faculty of twenty-five teachers.

The school is beautifully located in an attractive campus near the center of the city of Valley City, surrounded by a natural forest, a beautiful river, and other geographical features that add much to the attractiveness of the location, and is trying to the best of its ability to fill the place created for it by the legislative fathers. The school has an endowment of 50,000 acres of land and Geo. A. McFarland is president of the faculty.



FRONT VIEW OF NORMAL BUILDINGS AT VALLEY CITY

**State School for the Deaf and Dumb**

The School for the Deaf and Dumb at Devils Lake is as much a part of the public school system as any other and yet belongs, to a certain extent, in a class by itself. The school was opened in the fall of 1890 and twenty-one pupils were enrolled the first year. In the fall of 1893 the main building and east wing of the present building were completed, and since then two more wings have been added as well as a large boiler house. The value of the buildings and grounds now exceed \$80,000. The school has educated several hundred children, who have gone out into the world and are successfully fighting the battles of life. Dwight F. Bangs is giving the state good service as superintendent.

**Other Educational Institutions**

The State Normal at Mayville is in a very healthy condition. It has splendid buildings, a land endowment of 30,000 acres. It has a faculty of fifteen teachers, with Joseph Carhart at the head.

The State Scientific School located at Wahpeton, is devoted to instruction in the sciences, mathematics, political science and pedagogy. It has a land grant of 40,000 acres, and Earl G. Burch is



W. M. KERN, B.S. A.B.  
President North Dakota Manual Training School

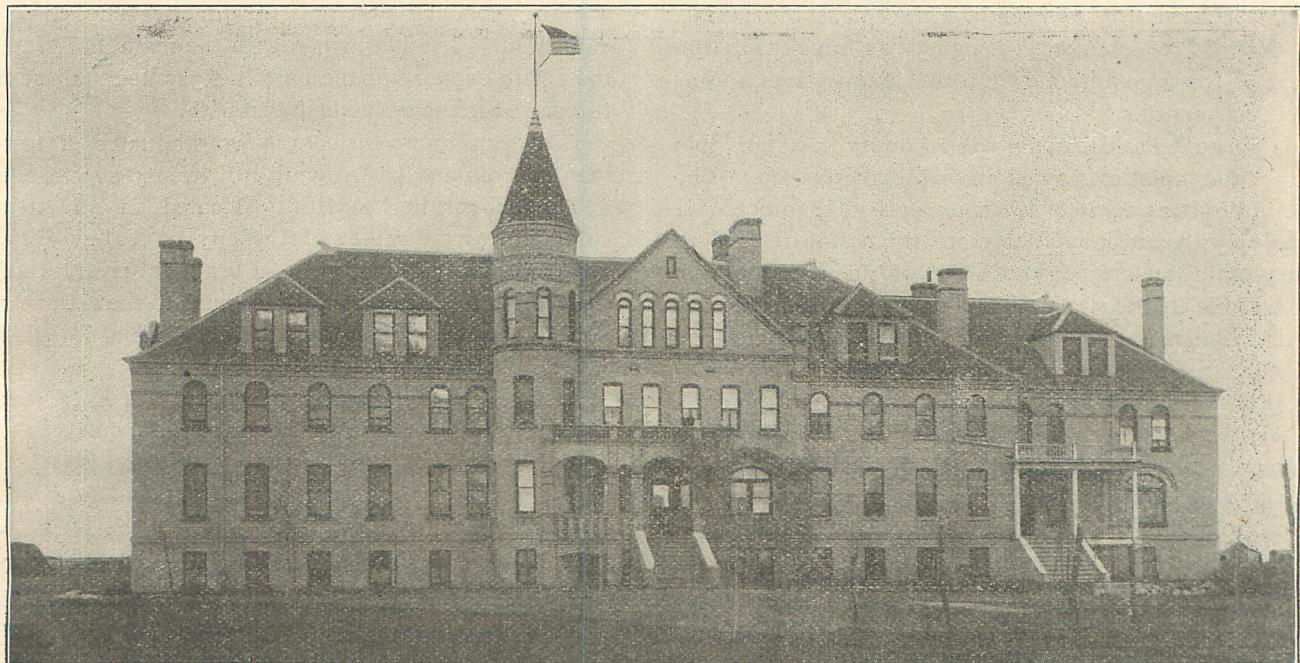
president of the faculty. It is getting to be one of the strong institutions of the state.

There is also a reform school at Mandan; a blind asylum at Bathgate; a school of forestry at Bottineau.

Besides these schools that are supported by the state there are denominational and private schools and colleges. There is a Wesley College, a Methodist institution at Grand Forks, and the Congregationalists have a school of much merit at Fargo.

The state capitol and penitentiary are located at Bismarck; the insane asylum at Jamestown; an asylum for the feeble minded at Grafton; an asylum for disabled soldiers at Lisbon.

The endowment of the common schools and higher institutions has already reached splendid proportions. It is needless to enter into detail as to the creation of this fund. When we were admitted as a state there was nothing, today it approximates \$10,000,000. Of this between \$7,000,000 and \$8,000,000 is the common school fund, the balance belongs to the various institutions. This fund is all interest bearing with the exception of the cash paid in at the recent sales—approximately \$500,000.



STATE DEAF AND DUMB SCHOOL BUILDINGS

# SOMETHING ABOUT DICKEY COUNTY

**D**ICKEY COUNTY is something like our state in its natural divisions. The state has the Red River Valley in the eastern section, the famous Jim River Valley in the central, and the more rolling country of the Missouri slope in the western. Dickey county has the rich country lying along the Jim river in the east, its central section lies along the sinuous banks of the Maple, and the western portion is drained by the Elm. The Maple and Elm are mainly formed in this county and enter the Jim in one stream as it passes through Brown county in South Dakota. A little north and east of Oakes is a sort of continental divide. The waters of this county flow south through the James, Missouri and Mississippi into the

Gulf of Mexico, while the rivers of the bordering counties of Ransom and Sargent pass into the Red river and find their way to Hudson Bay.

## Level Land and Good Soil

With the exception of four or five miles in the extreme

west end, the surface of the land is a broad, level prairie. Outside the river and lake beds there is not a foot that can not be cultivated. The soil is of a deep rich loam, and peculiarly adapted to the necessities of a great agricultural country. The land bordering on the Jim is more sandy than that lying in other portions, which makes it warmer and more easily farmed in wet seasons than the heavier land to the west.

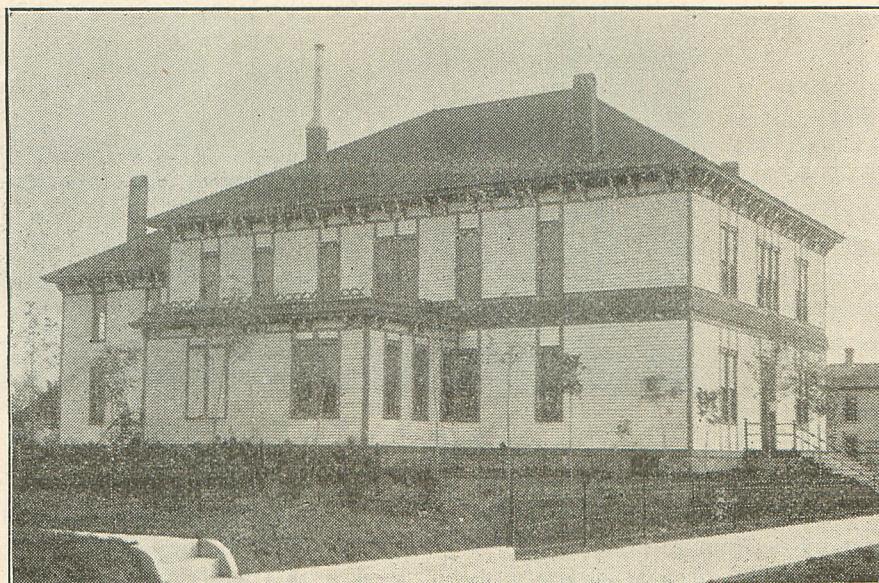
## Its Size and Location

Dickey county is 48 miles wide and 24 miles long, comprising 1,152 square miles, or 737,280 acres. It is situated in the south central portion of the state, its southern border running along the forty-sixth parallel, which separates North and South Dakota. The cen-

sus of 1905 shows a population of 7,412, an increase of 1,351 over that of 1900.

## Well Supplied With Railroads

Five great railway systems have lines running across the county from north to south and from east to west.



COURT HOUSE OF DICKEY COUNTY



SCENE ON ELNER FARM NORTHEAST OF OAKES

The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul was the first to enter the county, coming to Ellendale from Aberdeen in 1882. Ellendale was the terminus for a few years, when the road was extended north into LaMoure county, and the town of Edgeley started at its terminus. The North-Western was the next to enter, being extended from Columbia in 1886. This was followed the same year by the Northern Pacific coming alongside the river from Jamestown and connecting its rails with the North-Western. The next year, 1887, the Soo Line was extended through Oakes and the Great Northern to Ellendale. The Soo has only a few years since reached the capital city, Bismarck, and the Great Northern last fall extended westward fifteen miles from Ellendale. In 1893 the Northern Pacific extended its Staples line from Milnor to Oakes.

#### Markets in All Directions

The county now has 150 miles of railroad, and the facilities for getting farm produce and live stock to market are of the very best. No part of the county is more than eight miles from railroad, and the most productive parts are right close to loading stations. Direct lines are offered to Sioux City and Chicago, to the Twin Cities or the head of the great lakes, where it is taken aboard for shipment to the cities of the East or across the ocean. Since the acquisition of our possessions in the Orient the tide of commerce is gradually turning westward, and we are in direct communication with the Pacific coast through the Northern Pacific, Soo and Great Northern roads. In return for our produce we get coal and manufactured articles through Duluth and Chicago from the East, and our lumber and fruit from the West.

#### Artesian Wells a Bonanza

These wells are now considered one of the necessary

things of the farm. Ten years ago there was only an occasional "spouter" here and there, but the past few years have worked wonderful changes, and now every successful farmer has a well in his own barnyard. These are from  $1\frac{1}{4}$  to 2 inches and can be put down for \$300



FARM SCENE NINE MILES NORTHEAST OF OAKES

to \$500 each. The depths vary from 900 to 1,150 feet, the water is lukewarm, and the pressure runs from 85 to 125 pounds to the square inch. Stock is particularly fond of this water, and especially in the winter it is a bonanza to the farmer, as there is no windmill to turn on, no ice to break, no cold "critters" as a result to turn into the barn. The water is allowed to run at its own sweet will and ponds of water is the natural result. This is also the means in the summer of producing a greater rainfall.

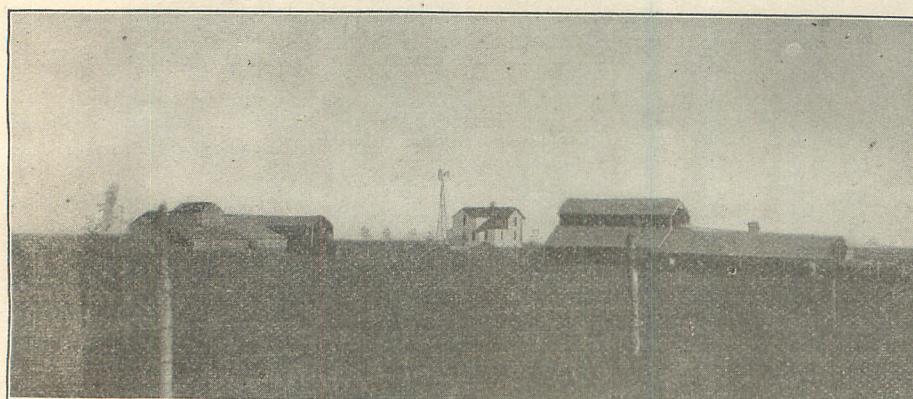
#### Farming in the Coteaus

A few years ago it was thought that the range of hills which form five or six miles of the western portion of the county, were of little use except for grazing purposes. Today they are covered with good residences and barns, and it is surprising to find the amount that is being farmed. Land that formerly sold out there from \$3 to

\$5 per acre, could not be purchased today for less than \$10 and \$12. A settlement of progressive German and Russian farmers form the main settlement in this section and are well-to-do and prosperous.

#### The Immigration of the County

The early settlement of the county brought large delegations from Iowa, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota, and not a few from the good old states of New England. Mixed with this are settlements of Scandinavian, German, Russian and Finnish. No other county in the



HIGHLAND STOCK FARM NEAR FULLERTON

state has been more fortunate in the kind of its population, and none are more thoroughly American in their ways now than those who made it the place of their adoption.

**A Lesson in County Statistics**

A few figures from the county auditor's office, on the farm and ranch products, are interesting. These figures are as authentic as furnished by the assessors of the various districts:

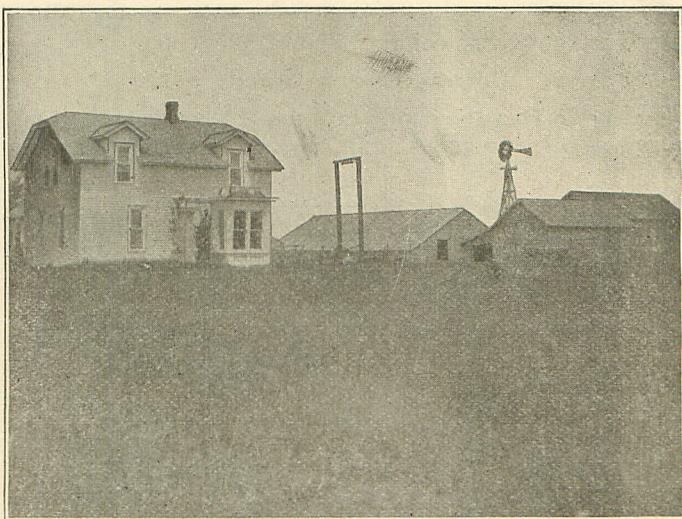
	1902	1903	1904	1905	1906
<b>WHEAT—</b>					
Acres .....	61,848	66,690	75,020	68,930	94,305
Yield .....	740,023	990,353	579,135	977,822	
<b>OATS—</b>					
Acres .....	4,960	8,676	10,774	13,961	16,407
Yield.....	195,664	306,696	355,532	472,830	
<b>FLAX—</b>					
Acres .....	7,361	9,815	13,932	23,954	30,827
Yield.....	49,569	119,561	165,945	298,829	
<b>BARLEY—</b>					
Acres .....	5,772	10,820	13,411	15,600	18,928
Yield.....	174,994	296,603	297,866	424,147	
<b>RYE—</b>					
Acres .....	1,715	1,275	891	1,505	874
Yield.....	31,482	27,833	13,520	24,367	
<b>CORN—</b>					
Acres .....	9,289	5,140	3,981	5,441	6,051
Yield.....	64,964	100,395	65,656	106,412	
<b>POTATOES—</b>					
Acres .....	594	621	553	481	552
Yield.....	41,901	57,144	47,309	50,623	
<b>LIVE STOCK—</b>					
Horses.....	4,977	6,798	7,116	6,882	
Cattle.....	23,386	21,641	26,452	23,302	
Sheep.....	17,992	9,125	6,147	2,807	
Hogs.....	4,524	5,958	7,685	8,882	

In 1904 there were 575,787 pounds of butter made in Dickey county and last year 673,385 pounds. In 1904 there were 4,042 acres of millet and Hungarian grass sown and cut, and in 1905, 3,242 acres. The value of garden products in 1904 was \$1,166, and of poultry and eggs sold, \$6,297. While these records are far from

complete on smaller produce it gives an idea of what is being done along that line.

**Diversify Is the Slogan**

It will be noticed by the above table that with the in-



BUILDINGS ON J. H. DENNING FARM

crease of acreage came the decrease of live stock, and vice versa; the average in diversified farming, however, has been very well maintained. The exclusive wheat farmer is a thing of the past. The big barn and the big granary are kept well averaged and the farmers have realized that the butter and eggs alone will keep the average family the year around. This gives a chance to add onto the farm's acres each year, and improve with better grades of live stock and better buildings to house them. Three good creameries are maintained in the county—The North American Storage Co. at Oakes, and the creameries at Ellendale and Forbes. The farmers'

co-operative creamery at Hamble, just across the line in Sargent county, has been conducted successfully for the past few years, as has a creamery at Savo, just across the line in Brown county.



THRESHING SCENE ON THE G. M. GILLETTE FARM

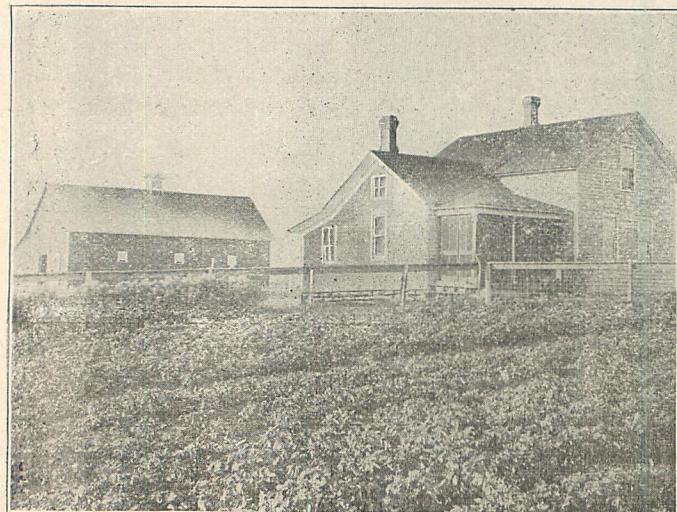
In 1895 there were only 7,185 head of cattle in Dickey county; in 1905 this had increased to 26,452. This was reduced last year to 23,302 head.

# What Our Farmers Have Done and Are Doing

THE farmers are the backbone of any country that depends on agriculture. Read what some of the pioneers as well as the newcomers have to say regarding their success in this county:

## Words From a Pioneer

I came to Dickey county in June, 1882, driving from Fargo, about 100 miles, and filed on a homestead now



BUILDINGS ON MONS NELSON FARM

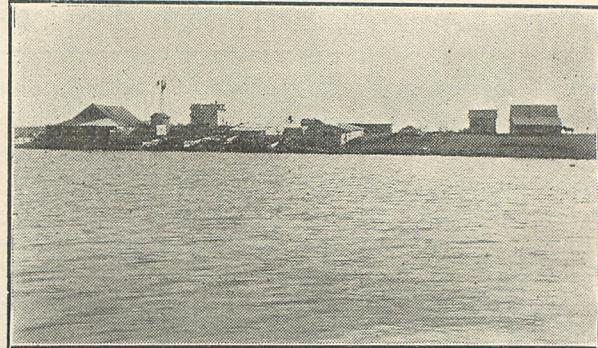
three miles north of Oakes and broke twenty acres and in the fall I built a sod shanty. In the spring of 1883 I moved onto this farm and have lived there up to the present time. The sod buildings have long since disappeared and they have been replaced with a good set of frame buildings. I keep on an average about 45 head of cattle. About five years ago I bought another quarter section, making me a 320-acre farm. Everything grows big here, the soil is rich and easily worked. People in

the East will not believe us when we tell them about North Dakota, but the time will soon come when they will have to believe we told them the truth. I will say this, that this country is good enough for me. I may move to Oakes and rent my farm, but I expect to die in Dickey county.

—Mons Nelson.

## Cleared About \$4,000 Per Year

I came to Dickey county in the spring of 1899 from northeastern Iowa, and have been engaged since that time in farming and stock raising. I came to North Dakota with about \$8,000 and am easily worth \$35,000 today, and I have made it all on my farm with diversified farming and the increase in the value of the land. I have made money every year and am well pleased with North Dakota. Our winters are better and more pleasant than where I came from in Iowa. I think on an average since I came here we have not had to feed our cattle over four and one-half months per year and there have been many winters that my horses and colts had their entire living outside without hay or grain. I keep in the neighborhood of 100 hogs and they pay me well. My principal crops are wheat, barley and flax for sale crops, and oats, millet, speltz and corn are my principal feed crops. All kinds of garden truck grow big, especially potatoes. I can do far better farming here than in Iowa. I have raised a family of six children and I think the advantages for giving them a good education are as good as



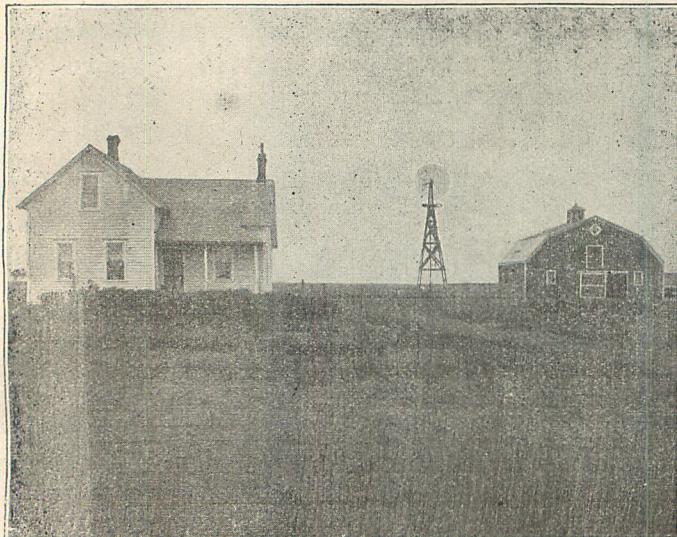
BUILDINGS ON L. J. NICHOLS FARM  
Artesian Pond in Foreground

they are in Iowa. I have an artesian well and an artificial lake covering about 15 acres, which I have well stocked with fish.

—L. J. Nichols.

## As Many Bushels as in Iowa

I came to Dickey county in the spring of 1901, having invested in virgin prairie land. The first year I did not do much farming as I had to build a home and other necessary buildings. The following spring I broke a small field and seeded it to flax. The returns were so satisfactory that I have increased my acreage each year and next spring will seed 160 acres of flax on new land. For the raising of small grain North Dakota cannot be beaten. I can raise just as many bushels per acre as I did in Iowa on high-priced land and on account of the long sowing season here can farm three or four times more land than I did there. Every crop of flax I raised paid for the land it was sowed on. As a stock country North



P. J. ANDERSON BUILDINGS SOUTHEAST OF OAKES

Dakota has no equal. Grass is so plentiful and hay made from it so nutritious that cattle are made in excellent condition for the block on these alone. With conditions like these North Dakota has a great future.

Fullerton, N. D.

—Joseph Pazandak.

**Moved Away But Came Back**

I came to Dickey county in 1882 and took up a claim in the James River Valley. Was \$10 in debt when I landed. Borrowed \$500 and went to work. In 1888 took off \$3,000 worth of grain, mostly wheat. In 1890 I took off \$2,400 worth of wheat from 130 acres. Had a good crop in 1891 and thought that I would like to go back to Iowa; sold out my personal property and went there with the intention of staying. It was too hard work to get ahead there and in four years I was back on my North Dakota farm, a wiser man by \$1,000 and practically broke. I was glad I held onto my farm here; now have a farm of 320 acres, well improved. This fall (1906) I had in 130 acres of durum wheat which yielded 24 bushels per acre; 50 acres of feed which yielded 1,800 bushels; 14 acres of corn which will go 40 bushels per acre; 18 acres of flax which went 16 bushels per acre. Of cattle I had 38 head, but sold 13 of my best steers; only have 10 hogs. My year's income from the farm will run over \$2,800. I have been over half the states in the Union and have yet to find one that compares with North Dakota for making a home and for a man with small means.

Glover, N. D.

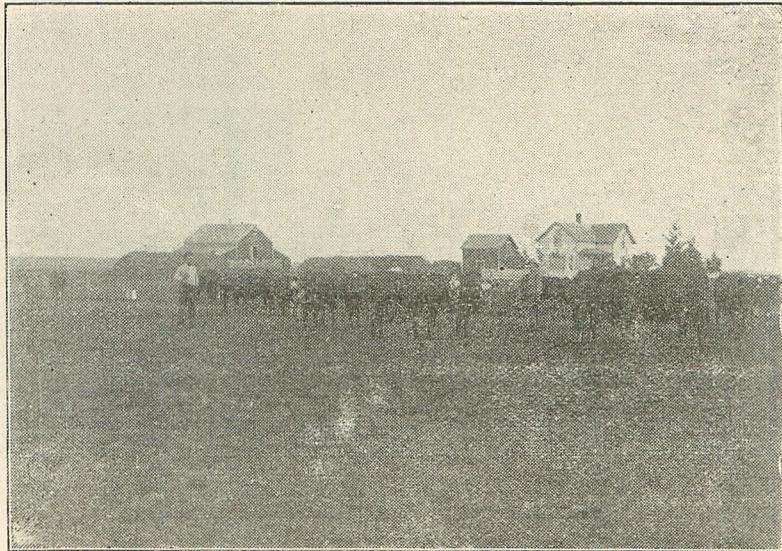
—E. F. Stevens.

**Came in Debt, Now Well Off**

I came to Dakota twenty-three years ago and took up a quarter section six and one-half miles east of where Oakes now stands. Lisbon, thirty-five miles away, was our nearest station. When I commenced farming I owed eighty-five dollars and went in debt for horses and everything. I have lived here for twenty-three years now and have never experienced a crop failure. Never had but one crop that did not pay me and that was fifteen years ago. I now own 480 acres of good land, with improvements that are worth over

\$4,000. I have forty-five head of cattle, eleven horses, a steam threshing rig, a corn shredder and other machinery, in all about \$4,000 worth. Do not owe anything, except a little on the last quarter section of land I bought. I know anyone can come here and make money if he is willing to work, and a man does not have to work as hard to make money here as he does in the East. I like this country and expect to remain here.

—P. E. Peterson.



P. C. PETERSEN FARM ON JIM RIVER

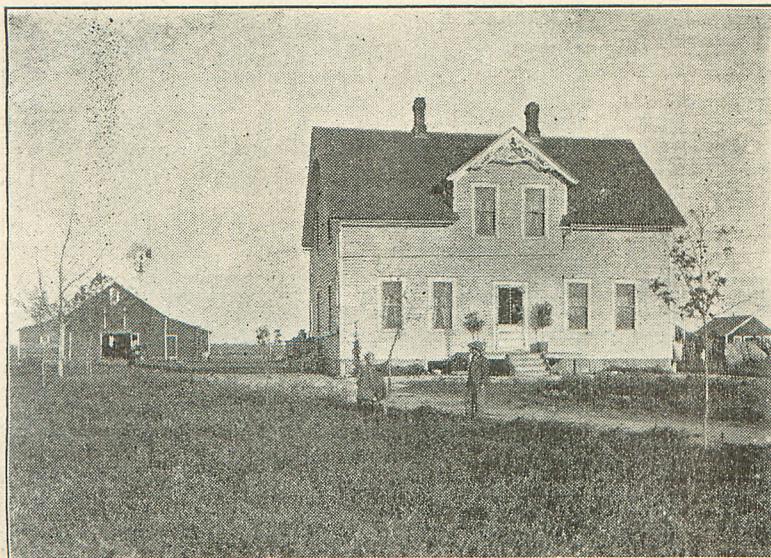
**From Fisherman to Farmer**

Came here from Fargo in 1885. Two years prior to that time I came from Norway, where I had been a fisherman, and had settled at Fargo. I squatted on a homestead two miles north of Oakes on the river bottom, and although I knew nothing about farming when I came here, I went to work and have done well. Have put in 20 crops in Dickey county and have only had one poor crop; that was in 1904, when black rust took a good deal of my wheat. I now own 260 acres of well-improved land, for which I refused an offer of \$25 per acre. Now I have the farm well stocked with cattle and horses, have good machinery, money in the bank and do not owe a dollar. This year had in 150 acres, of which 120 was wheat, and 30 acres was oats and barley. Have given more attention to my cattle. As I have a fine flowing well near the barn and get lots of good hay from the river bottom, it is not much trouble to look after the stock. Have raised and educated a family of five children—three boys and two girls—and we are all happy and contented.

—P. C. Petersen.

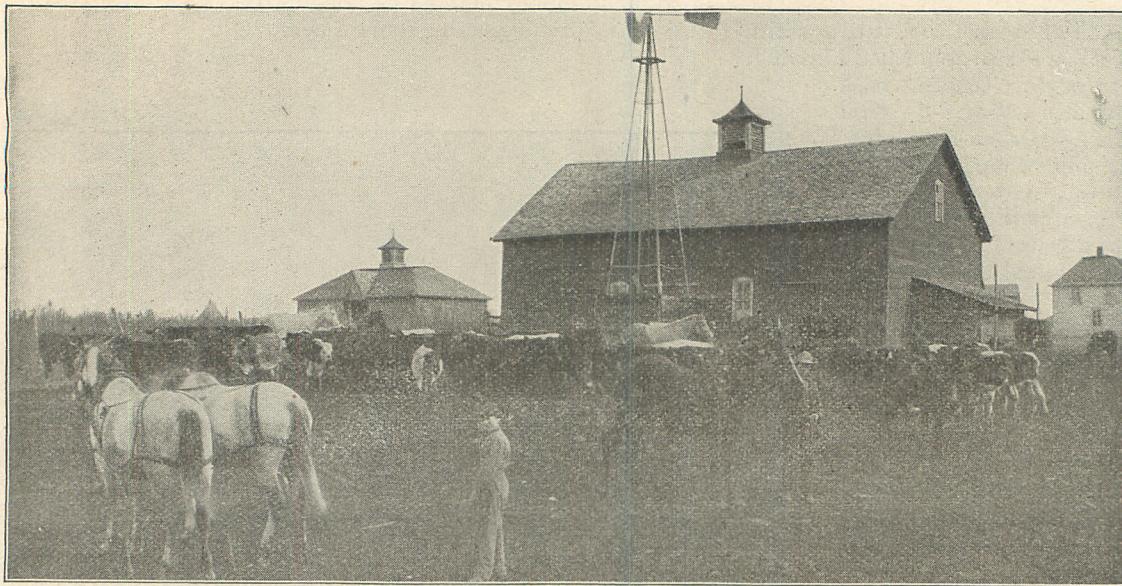
**Clear of Debt and Has Money In Bank**

I have grown 20 crops of wheat in Dickey county and the nearest I ever came to a failure was in 1890, when I only had eight bushels to the acre. Up to and including 1890 I raised practically nothing but wheat; from that time since I have grown mixed crops consisting of corn, oats, wheat and barley with good success. I now own 1,000 acres of good land divided



BUILDINGS ON P. E. PETERSEN FARM

into two farms, both of which are well improved, the improvements having cost between \$8,000 and \$9,000. I also own 200 head of cattle, 26 head of horses, \$2,000 worth of farm machinery and a house and lot in Oakes worth \$1,500. Do not owe a dollar and have a good sized bank account.



THE PHILLIP KRAFT FARM, NEAR OAKES

In the meantime I have raised and educated a large sized family. I am well satisfied that I came to Dickey county. I could sell out here now but do not know where I could go to better myself. —Gus Strutz.

**DICKEY COUNTY IS ALL RIGHT**

I came to Dickey county from Henderson, Nebraska, in the fall of 1903. I bought three quarter sections of land and an 80-acre tract. This land was well improved, buildings, fences, etc. I paid at this time \$18 per acre, and got one-half of the growing crop. This was in the summer of 1903. In the fall I moved up with my family

and found over \$1,000 worth of checks and grain as my share of the crop for that year. I can now get \$25 per acre for my land. My family likes this country far better than Nebraska, and we came from one of the best counties in the state. The winters are more pleasant, not so many storms nor so much wind. My children

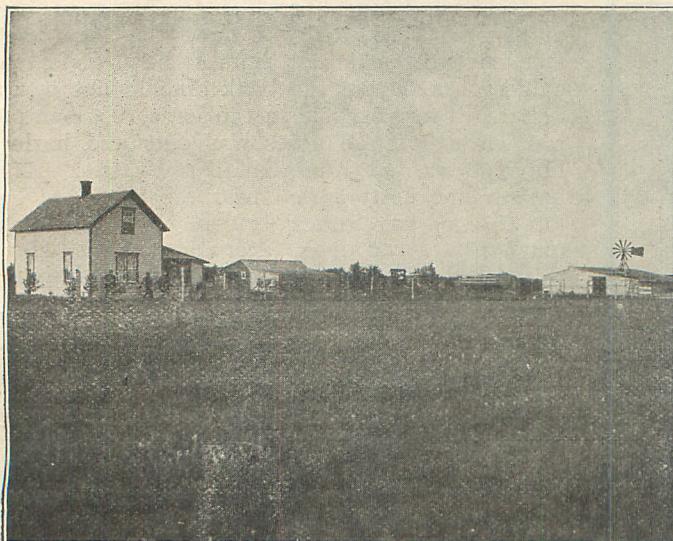
walk one mile to school and wear no overshoes and never miss a day. Dickey county is all right.

—Phillip Kraft.

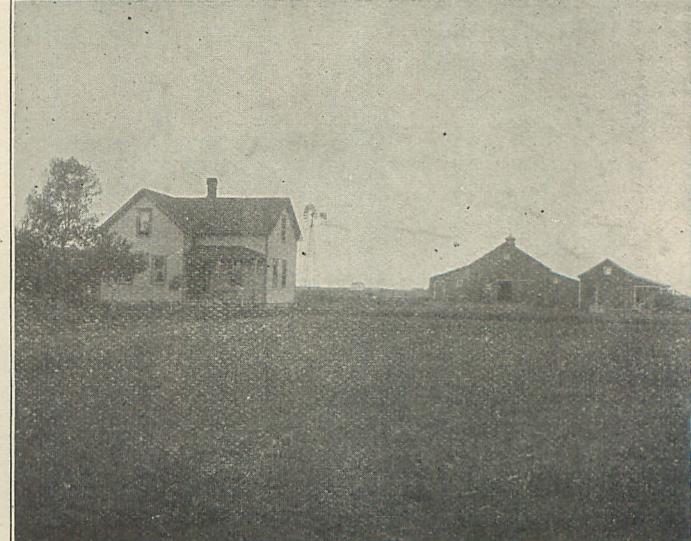
**Raise Good Crops of Corn**

I came to Sargent county in 1883, and selected a homestead 35 miles from a railroad town and nearest trading point. I had at that time very little money and a family of a wife and three children and to make it short, will say that I now have 800 acres of land well improved with good buildings. I keep from 60 to 80 head of cattle and raise from 40 to 140

head of hogs each year. I plant about 40 acres of Early Dent corn, which I consider the surest crop we raise. It yields from 30 to 40 bushels of shelled corn to the acre. I cut with a corn binder and shred it as I think the fodder will pay for all the labor of raising crop. A corn crop leaves the ground in fine shape for a crop of wheat the following year. This last year I sold \$800 worth of hogs and have 80 head left. Have never known such a thing as hog cholera. I milk from 12 to 18 cows, which bring me in from \$350 to \$450 per year from the cream besides having all the butter and cream we wish for a large family. Barley and millet also grow well here and make good



THE A. A. BROWN FARM



THE ALFRED JOHNSON FARM

cheap hog feed. I live four and one half miles east of Oakes.

—G. B. Phifer.

**Raise all Kinds of Fruits**

It is becoming generally known that North Dakota is one of the most prosperous states in the Union. It has for years raised more than one-half the flax crop of the United States and now it has advanced to the first magnitude in the raising of spring wheat. All other grains do well on our soil. The average grain yield per acre stands higher than for the states south and east of us. Our average income per acre for the cultivated land for a period of years is \$8.75 per acre, and last year it was over \$12 per acre, or nearly enough to

pay for unimproved land with one crop. Nowhere in the United States can such advantages be offered to the homeseeker where land can be bought so cheap and made to pay for itself in so short a time. Here is an opportunity for the overcrowded districts in Minnesota, Iowa, Illinois, and Nebraska to obtain new homes that they can pay for, that will be worth in a very short time as much cash per acre as any land in the states they came from. It is a well known fact that in the states mentioned to the south and east of us it is impossible to make those high priced lands pay for themselves with the products of the soil, as the interest, taxes, labor and living takes all that the land can produce.

We have the most healthful climate in the United States, with pure and invigorating air. The average rainfall for central and eastern portions of Dickey county is twenty-one and one-half inches annually, which furnishes more than sufficient moisture for all crops.

Fruit of all kinds can be raised successfully, which my farm will show, as I have a lot of plum, apple and cherry trees, with a great supply of strawberries, raspberries, gooseberries, blueberries, juneberries, currants, and sand or mountain cherries and all produce a good crop every year. I have also a dozen different kinds of forest trees, all doing well.

This central

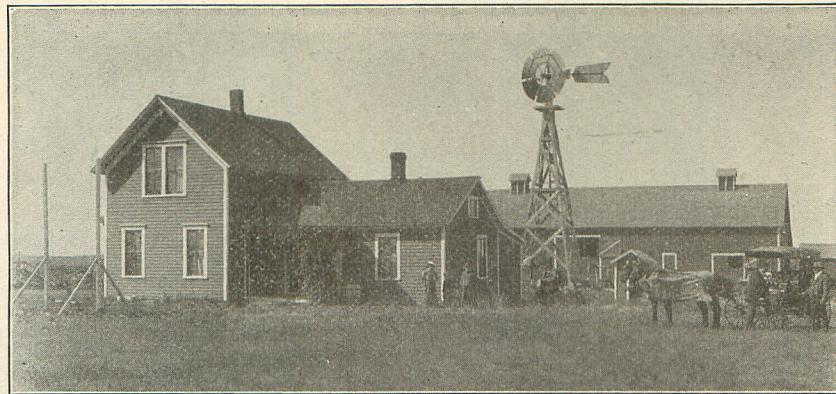
and eastern part of Dickey county is also in the artesian basin and good flowing wells with 100 pounds of pressure can be had that will furnish every farm with a good water plant for domestic use and protection, besides giving sufficient power to heat and light farm buildings by electricity, also absolutely free power to run feed mills, cream separators, fanning mills, grindstones, churning machines, and any other machines in use on farms that need high power to run. I am sure that these advantages should speak a good word for Dickey county, the only county in the state where strong artesian pressure can be obtained, and this advantage should, and will, more than double the value of our lands in the very near future.

Our soil is the very best and richest black loam with a yellow clay subsoil and good water in surface or shallow wells can be had at a depth of from 6 to 50 feet, but I recommend the artesian well at the start, as it will furnish you with power, heat, light, protection, water system and lakes where fish can be kept with success.

Corn can be raised successfully and the value of corn per acre is as great as that of Iowa or Nebraska. Stock of all kinds are also money makers, as grass is abundant and hay is cheaply put up for winter use.

We can raise many kinds of tame grasses when needed, but so far have not had much need to raise them, as the abundant wild grasses furnish all feed needed.

A lot of people have come here from Nebraska, Iowa, and Minnesota, and they recommend our country highly and not one has moved back or could be induced to do so, which is a good recommendation. And why should they when the average income for every farm in North Dakota



BUILDINGS ON GEORGE DILL FARM



THE JENSEN FARM IN HUDSON

last year amounted to about \$3,000? Can any state in the Union do better than this? We have no record of it.

Fullerton, N. D.

—F. O. Alin.

**Well Off After Farming Seven Years**

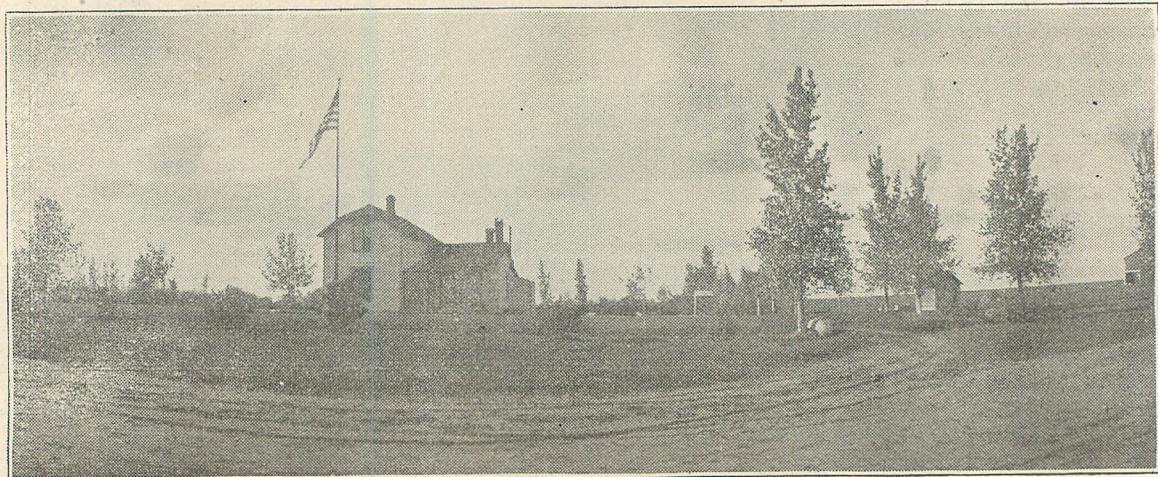
I came here in 1896 from central South Dakota with \$600. I bought 160 acres of land in Hudson township, Dickey county, and went to farming. I marketed my crops and put my money into stock—horses, cattle, sheep and hogs. I quit farming in 1903 and moved to Oakes. At that time I owned five quarter sections and one eighty of Dickey county soil, with two good sets of buildings, fences and improvements, all paid for. I also had 290 head of sheep, 14 head of horses, 42 head of cattle, 46 head of hogs, also all machinery to work and carry on my farming. I also own my home in Oakes, valued at \$2,200. I value my land at \$25 per acre. I married one of Dickey county's school ma'ams, Miss Agnes Baker, and we have three fine healthy children. I have now retired

from active farming, and I know of no other place where any young man has, by his own unaided efforts, made a better showing from farming in any of the states.

—K. S. Jensen.

**Combine Merchandising and Farming With Success**

We have been very successful with our ranch south-



FARM RESIDENCE OF J. H. VAN METER, EAST OF ELLENDALE

east of Oakes. Including the rented school section adjoining, we have 3,360 acres. We farm about 385 acres for feed crops and the balance is under wire fence. This year we had in 100 acres of corn which yielded 40 bushels per acre; from 100 acres of millet, 80 of speltz, 50 of barley and 50 of oats, our threshing account



SCENE ON KLEIN & SUTMAR RANCH, SOUTHEAST OF OAKES

showed that we had over 10,000 bushels; we also had 200 bushels of potatoes. On the ranch we have 500 head of good Hereford cattle, 160 head of hogs and 45 head of horses. We sold six carloads of fat steers and cows this year, and have 100 head left, which will be ready for the market next June. We shipped three carloads of hogs the past summer, and realized on them \$10 to \$12 per head. We have owned the ranch now seven years and find it a profitable investment. It isn't much trouble. We have two artesian wells on the place, and M. A. Bunker, the resident manager, is a good man to look after things.

—Klein & Sutmar.

**Made More Money Here Than in Iowa**

I was a renter in Iowa and gave two-fifths of the crop. I was on one farm six years and the landlord wanted cash rent the seventh year. I said I would not pay cash rent to any man, and he said all right I want cash, so I called a sale, sold out and came to Dickey county, North Dakota. I bought a quarter of land and rented a farm for one-quarter of the crop, and I can say I have made more money since I came here (March 3, 1903) than I could have made in Iowa. I have raised three good crops. Wheat, oats, speltz, barley, flax and potatoes grow excellently here; corn makes about 25 to 30 bushels per acre. The water is good and the climate cannot be beat. The days are longer in summer than

any place south of here. I cannot say but that the winters are just as mild as in northern Iowa and the roads are far better. Some people think North Dakota is a



BUNCH OF CATTLE FATTENED BY MARSHALL-MCCARTNEY CO.

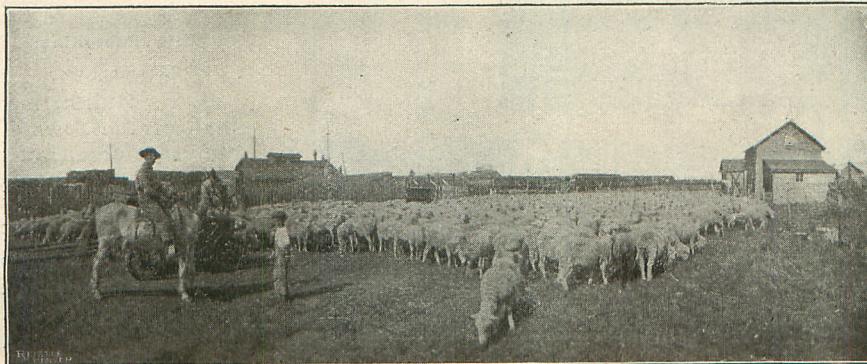
cold country. It is not so. It is only a little north of Iowa. It is the name that makes it seem so cold. Hay grows in abundance, and this is a great stock country.

—W. T. Jones.

**Stock Raising and Farming as Side Issue to Banking**

The Marshall-McCartney Company has been largely interested in farming and stock raising for some years, and being asked about their farming operations this year, Mr. Marshall said:

"We had in 600 acres of durum wheat this season and we had about 15,000 bushels, or 25 bushels per acre; we also had in 350 acres of corn that yielded 40 bushels per acre; sold many of our scattering quarters, and put the money last year into the Brooks ranch in James River Valley township. We have 2,000 acres there, and besides we have a lease of five sections. A great deal of this is under hog wire fence. Last winter (1905-6) we carried through 350 head of steers. We bought more in the spring and summered 1,000 head, and turned off 750 head this fall at a good profit. The cut



UNLOADING SHEEP FOR MARSHALL-MCCARTNEY COMPANY AT N. P. YARDS

shows a bunch of our cattle that was fattened on Red Siberian millet.

"We contract for a large number of sheep each fall to clean up the corn and wheat fields. These sheep are from the Montana ranges and are brought in right after harvest. They are shipped here in transit to Chicago and the railroad company allows us to feed them for two months by paying \$10 per car for reloading. We had about 2,000 head last year which netted us a dollar a head, and this year we had 10,000 head which brought us a handsome profit. This is an excellent way of cleaning up the fields after harvest and the farmers would realize big money if they would adopt the same plan. We want to build up the country and would be glad to see our farmers get some benefit from what is now almost going to waste."

The accompanying picture shows Congressman Marshall at his favorite pastime. His father, G. W. Marshall, who often visits him here, is the man in the "bubble."

**Now Has Plenty of Everything**

I came here from Norway in 1888 and homesteaded a quarter in Hudson township. Came without a cent and now have a good farm of 320 acres. Had in 50 acres hard wheat this year that averaged 15 bushels an acre, and 50 acres of macaroni that went 20 bushels; 75 acres of flax that yielded 13 bushels per acre; 20 acres of oats that yielded 30 bushels per acre; 40 acres of barley that yielded 25 bushels per acre; 10 acres of speltz that yielded 45 bushels per acre. Had 100 head of cattle, sold 20 head this fall; have eight working horses and six colts; had 300 head of sheep but sold all but 50. Have a house 18x22 with an ell

16x20; two good barns—one 30x100 feet with leanto full length, and the other 26x62. Have raised a good family and we are all contented and happy. I know of no country where a man without means can do better.

—Nels Carlson.  
Guelph, N. D.

**Wheat Brought \$35 Per Acre**

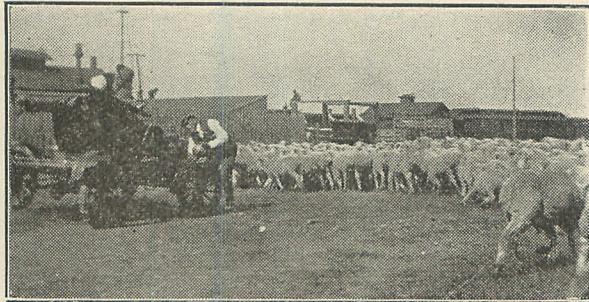
I came here 21 years ago, took up a homestead and hired 21 acres broke the first year. The next year I hired it plowed and harrowed, and sowed it myself all by hand. I threshed 35 bushels per acre in the fall, and received \$1 per bushel, which amounted to \$735. I paid for the relinquishment \$200; for proving up \$250; paid a man for breaking and harrowing, and then had some money left. I have raised good crops each year since. One year I remember of having in 130 acres, and when I sold the wheat in the fall it brought \$19.84 per acre, or the nice little sum of \$2,579.20. Another year I had in 97 acres of wheat and threshed in the fall thirty-seven and one-half bushels per acre. Last year (1905) I had in 80 acres of my land in flax and threshed in the fall nineteen and one-half bushels per acre. I have been offered \$1.25 per bushel for the flax. I like it here better than any place I have ever been, and can recommend this country to anyone for a home or for an investment.

—Wm. Mills.

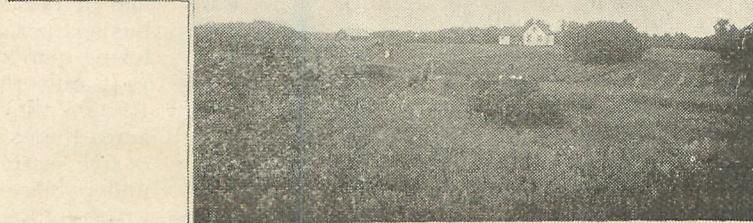
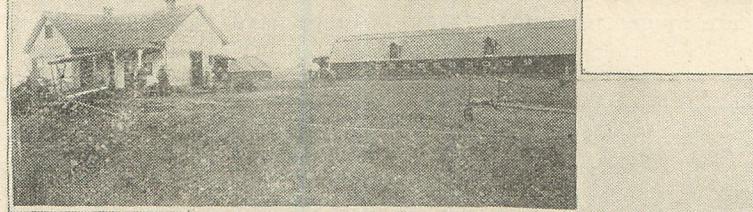
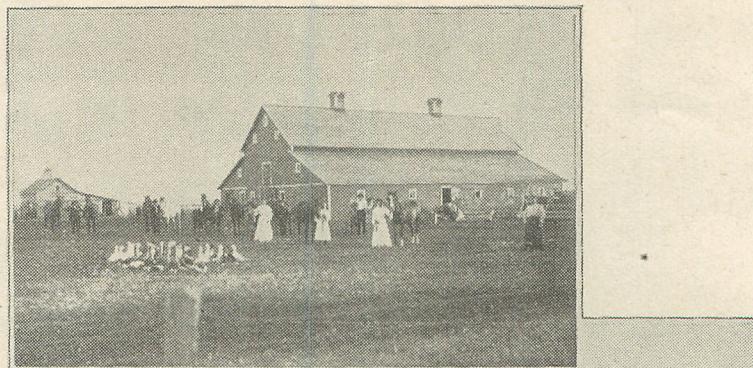
**Big Pumpkins**

Forman News

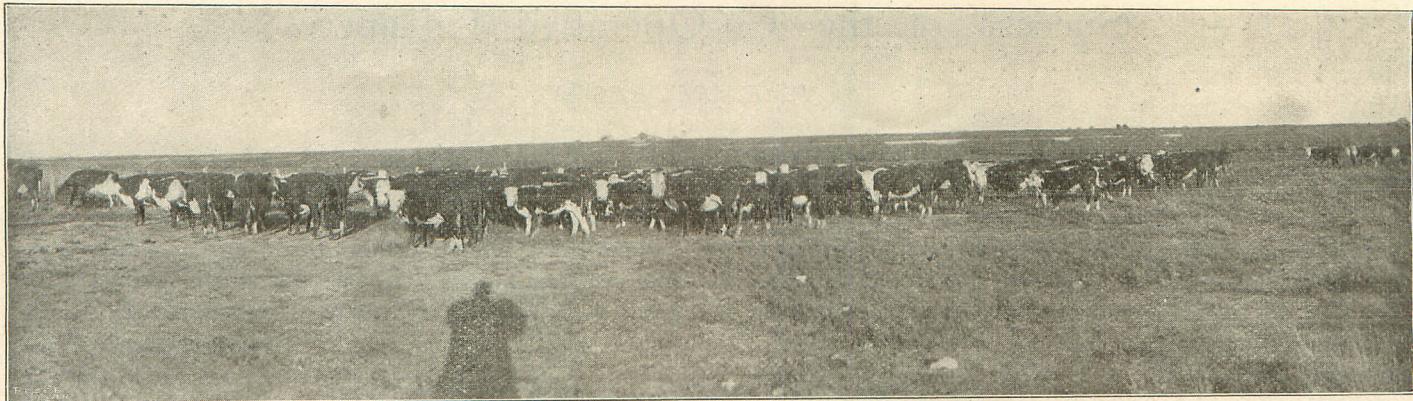
S. F. Mullin, marshal of the town by the grace of an affectionate constituency, takes great pride in an immense pumpkin which he raised in his garden this fall. This pumpkin nearly fills a wash tub, weighs about 60 pounds, and should make twenty or twenty-five pies.



A SNAP SHOT OF TOM MARSHALL IN ACTION



HENRY BRUNES AND HENRY ORN FARMS NEAR CRETÉ; NELS CARLSON FARM NEAR GUELPH AND GEORGE BILLIARD FARM NEAR GLOVER



THE EATON HERD OF HEREFORD COWS AND CALVES ON RANCH NEAR LUDDEN

## Thoroughbred Cattle and Grading of the Herds

By H. F. EATON

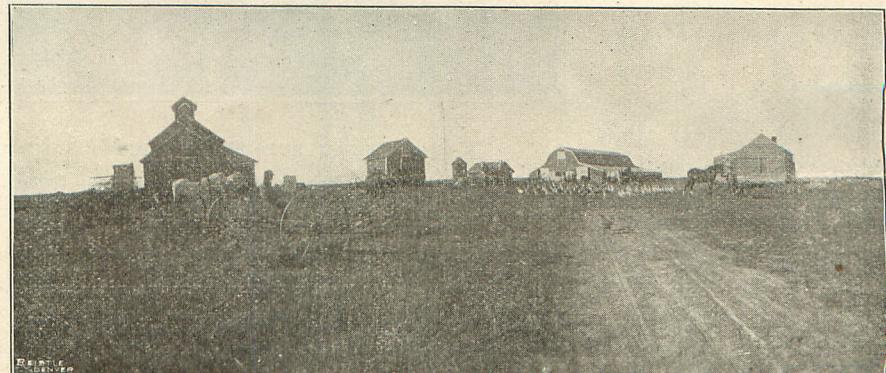
THE pioneers in this part of the state made settlement for the purpose of raising grain. Despite the fact that they saw the whitened skeletons of the buffalo at all times as they drove over the prairies, that they frequently witnessed the wide and deep worn trails still bare of grass, made by the buffaloes as they had filed in long procession to the James river or to some lake, and notwithstanding the wonderful growth of grass that covered all the prairie, yet the fact did not dawn upon them that here was a place for raising stock most profitably. Very few in this part of the county gave any attention to cattle raising in the first few years of its settlement. All seemed intent in turning the sod and sowing to wheat and flax. I was first to introduce the registered Hereford cattle in Dickey county and about the same time L. J. Nichols brought in the full-blooded Durhams.

Partial failures in crops will sometimes occur in every country and when Dickey county suffered from drouth, the farmers naturally began to diversify their farming and give some attention to cattle raising, which offered them a sure return from the start. It was some years before they could see the advantage of having a full-blooded sire in their herds. When they saw the high grade cattle selling at a much higher price than the rough and common stock they were raising they were not slow in seeking a remedy by grading up their herds with a registered sire. After fair trial for a few years it is generally conceded that the white-faced cattle are the most hardy, the best rustlers and the highest priced sellers, hence the best adapted to this locality.

Cattle buyers from Iowa and Illinois, who come here for their supply of feed-

ers, claim that there is no place where they can now find better cattle than in Dickey county. This is owing to the infusion of registered blood into the herds. Our farmers have learned that without full-blooded sires at the head of their herds they cannot command the highest market prices for the cattle they have to sell.

Those who were raising registered stock had up-hill work till light dawned upon the average farmer, but for the past few years there has been a demand at a fair price for all the full-blooded sires and a number of enterprising farmers are starting small herds. Better blooded stock can be found nowhere than here. The agricultural department at Washington, in its bulletin on grasses, states that the richest grass grown in the United States is the wild buffalo grass, common in the Dakotas. Nowhere is buffalo grass more abundant than in this county. This is a grass that cures into hay as it stands on the prairie and furnishes the richest of feed through the late fall and winter. It has happened a number of times since the settlement in '83 that there has not been snow enough to prevent cattle feeding most of the winter. A full-blood can always be raised cheaper than a grade.



BUILDINGS ON E. G. BARNES FARM IN PORT EMMA

## Success of the Co-Operative Creamery

By P. E. PETERSON

SIX years ago a movement was started by the farmers around Hample to get a creamery at this point. A few meetings were held during the winter and spring of 1900. Officers were elected and a good deal of interest was aroused, but as some of the would-be shareholders began to lose confidence in themselves and in the new venture, it failed to materialize that year.

The next winter the matter was taken hold of again with new hopes and stronger wills. Incorporation papers were drawn up, stock to the amount of \$2,100 was sold to thirty-nine stockholders, and committees appointed to investigate how other co-operative creameries were conducted, and to purchase the necessary material for the building.

When the structure was finished it was equipped with the best machinery obtainable, and on the 13th day of May, 1901, the first milk was received. Since that time it has been run the year round, with the exception of two weeks the first year, and that lay-up was for want of a buttermaker.

The object of this organization was not to make big dividends for the stockholders, but simply to give every patron of the creamery (whether stockholder or not) every cent that could be gotten out of his milk or cream, after the necessary running expenses were deducted.

The plan has proven a complete success. So far the shareholders have all stuck together and patronized their own creamery, and a good number of outsiders have taken advantage of the opportunities offered by the Hample Creamery Company.

One rule that this creamery has held to ever since it

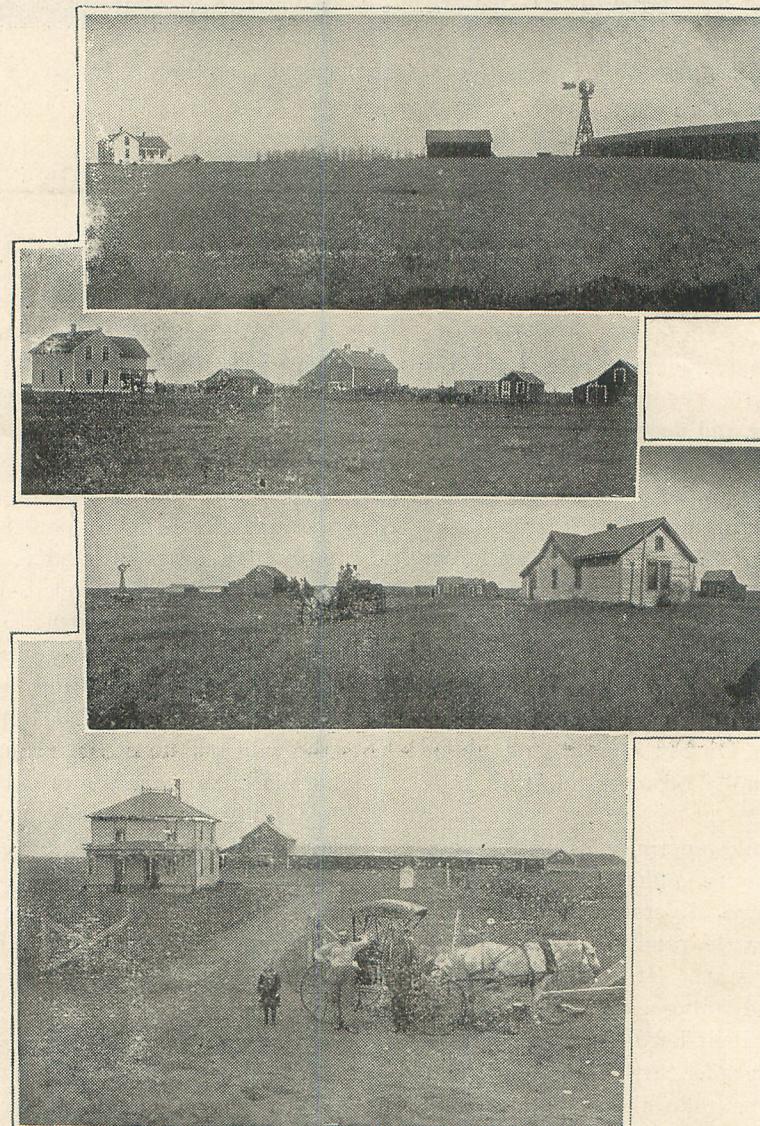
first started, is that nothing but well cared for milk and cream will be accepted, and whenever a can of sour milk or cream has been brought it has been returned to the shipper. By following this rule strictly, resulted in getting a premium of from one-half to one cent a pound above New York quotations for Extra Creamery Butter, on every pound of butter sold. By doing business on this basis, the patrons get as much from their milk product as is possible in an honest way.

When this creamery was first started, many of us were in any but pleasant circumstances, but since then we have constantly added to our possessions of live stock until at present it is not merely a side line to farming, but rather a very important half interest in the farm. This creamery having done so well for this community, we would be more than pleased to see our neighboring communities benefitted by similar organizations.

### North Dakota Butter

At the annual meeting of the National Creamery Buttermakers' Association which was held in Milwaukee October 20-24, 1902, North Dakota had twelve entries in the butter exhibit. The average score was 90.08, or a higher average than Iowa, Ohio and Michigan. At the state fair in 1903 North Dakota butter

received a score of 94, and at the state dairy convention 95 $\frac{1}{2}$ . For the March scoring in 1904 educational contest eleven out of 317 entries scored 96 or better, and a North Dakota creamery was one of the eleven. The value of the dairy products in the state for 1904 approximated \$4,100,000.



FARM SCENES OF DICKY COUNTY

From Top to Bottom: Murray Bros., Hudson; John Nelson, James River Valley; T. H. Thatcher, Hudson; Northwestern Land Company's Ranch in Ada.

# The Public Schools of Dickey County

THE schools of the county are well organized and up-to-date. The buildings are placed in the district where they will best accommodate the pupils who are attending. First-class high schools are maintained at Oakes and Ellendale, seven departments in each school, and for higher education there is the Manual Training School, located at Ellendale. The schools are under the able supervision of Mrs. G. M. Lovell, who is the successor of a worthy line of superintendents. Our schools will rank with any county of the state. Here are some items taken from the county superintendent's report of the condition of the schools for the



ELLEDALE HIGH SCHOOL

year beginning July 1, 1905, and ending June 30, 1906:

Number of schools in county.....	84
Number of departments.....	97
Number of school libraries.....	23
Number of books in libraries....	2,604
Number of schools using free text books.....	52
Number of trees growing on school grounds.....	5,322
Enrollment of pupils.....	2,004
Number teachers employed.....	109
Amount paid teachers.....	\$31,315
Receipts including cash on hand July 1, 1906 .....	86,986
Amount of cash in hands of treasurer, June 30, 1906 .....	32,232
Valuation of school houses, sites and furniture.....	78,652

## Political Side of Dickey County

DICKEY COUNTY was organized from part of LaMoure county in 1882. Governor Ordway of the Territory of Dakota, came personally to Ellendale, on petition of fifty residents, and organized by appointing the following officers: H. E. Geschke, Q. C. Olin and A. H. Whitney, commissioners; M. N. Chamberlin, register of deeds; George Kreis, treasurer; James Van Meter, sheriff; W. H. Becker, probate judge; Miss F. F. Arnold (now Mrs. Bergendahl) superintendent of schools. Our public men since 1882:

### State Senators

M. E. Randall*	1889-91
D. P. Kuhn.....	1891-93
J. W. Stevens†.....	1893-97
T. F. Marshall.....	1897-01
D. E. Geer*.....	1901-05
T. H. Thatcher.....	1905-

### State Representatives

W. B. Allen .....	1889-91
A. T. Cole.....	1889-91
W. B. Allen .....	1891-93
J. S. Ritchie.....	1891-93
G. W. Towers†.....	1893-95
J. W. Caldwell†.....	1893-95
Andrew Smith†.....	1895-97
F. W. Brainerd†.....	1895-97
E. F. Dunton.....	1897-99
Theo. Northrop.....	1897-99
John Kennedy.....	1899-01
J. S. Peek.....	1899-01
Geo. Rose.....	1901-03
A. Strutz.....	1901-03
Geo. Rose .....	1903-07
E. F. Stevens.....	1903-07
Geo. Rose .....	1907-
C. B. Andrus.....	1907-

### Auditors

Ed. N. Leiby*.....	1886-89
Thurlow Weed.....	1889-92
D. B. McDonald.....	1892-93
F. L. Walker†.....	1893-95
S. V. Saunders†.....	1895-99
H. J. Oberman.....	1899-03
C. C. Misfeldt*.....	1903-05
A. W. Eygabroad.....	1905-

### Probate Judges

W. H. Becker.....	1882-85
Harris Gleason*.....	1885-87
S. A. Bowes.....	1887-93
G. W. Parkes†.....	1893-97
P. S. Randall†.....	1897-99
A. D. Flemington.....	1899-05
Geo. H. Fay.....	1905-

### Treasurers

Geo. Kreis.....	1882-83
Theo. Northrop.....	1883-87
C. W. Porter*.....	1887-89
T. W. Millham.....	1889-93
C. W. Palmer†.....	1893-97
John Stewart.....	1897-01
H. C. Peek.....	1901-05
Hans Lee.....	1905-

### Registers of Deeds

M. N. Chamberlain.....	1882-83
A. L. DeCoster.....	1883-85
Frank Jerabek.....	1885-89
Geo. H. Keyes.....	1889-93
A. J. Applequist†.....	1893-97
A. L. Beggs.....	1897-01
R. H. Walker*.....	1901-05
W. E. Kellogg.....	1905-

### Sheriffs

H. J. VanMeter.....	1882-83
Chas. Deming .....	1883-
T. N. Larson.....	1883-85
Jackson Strane.....	1885-87
T. C. Rice.....	1887-89
W. A. Cross.....	1889-93
D. W. Coleman†.....	1893-97
M. P. Axtell.....	1897-01
S. S. Thompson*.....	1901-05
J. C. Drew.....	1905-

### County Commissioners

First district—Q. C. Olin, Geo. D. Scott, J. A. Spellman, C. L. Ward, E. F. Dunton, A. W. McDonald\*, C. D. Scott.\*

Second district—A. H. Whitney, H. J. Perrine, Frank Edgerly\*, H. B. Homedew, U. G. Shepard, E. A. Hoerman\*, U. G. Shepard, R. E. Griffin.

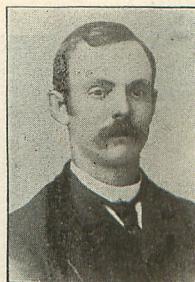
Third district—H. E. Geschke, A. C. Hogaboom, Tormod Wettre, S. S. Thompson†, F. Van Middlesworth\*, L. C. Stenquist\*, E. F. Stevens.

Fourth district—D. B. McDonald, W. E. Kellogg, J. C. Drew, G. H. Merrifield, B. F. Snyder, G. H. Merrifield, C. W. Sullivan.

Fifth district—J. P. Walker\*, H. J. Mallory, C. H. Bateman, R. F. Murray\*, W. R. Fawcett†, E. G. Barnes, B. L. Adamson.

The change from three to five commissioner districts was made at the fall election in 1884.

THREE FORMER COUNTY OFFICIALS



A. L. BEGGS



JOHN STEWART



LATE C. A. NICHOLS

### Clerks of Court

T. M. Evans.....	1883-89
H. S. Nichols.....	1889-93
Benj. Porter*.....	1893-97
Wm. Connor.....	1897-99
H. H. Perry*.....	1899-03
J. E. Baker.....	1903-

### Superintendents of Schools

Miss Frances F. Arnold	1882
C. R. Lindersmith.....	1884-87
C. A. Kent*.....	1887-95
C. A. Nichols.....	1895-97
W. E. Hicks.....	1897-03
W. W. Denning*.....	1903-05
G. M. Lovell.....	1905-

### States Attorneys

Henry Dickie.....	1885-87
A. D. Flemington.....	1887-89
J. H. Boyle.....	1889-91
J. M. Austin.....	1891-93
W. H. Ellis†.....	1893-95
A. D. Flemington.....	1895-97
Benj. Porter*.....	1897-99
E. E. Cassels.....	1899-01
S. G. Cady.....	1901-03
Geo. T. Webb*.....	1903-05
E. E. Cassels.....	1905-

\* Democrats.

† Populists.

All others Republican.

## Present Public Men of the County



### CONGRESSMAN

Thomas F. Marshall

Born at Hannibal, Mo., March 7, 1854; was educated at State Normal School, Platteville, Wis., learned the profession of surveyor which he followed more or less for twenty-five years; became a resident of Dakota in 1883; came to Oakes, where he still has his home, in 1886, and engaged in business of banking; first mayor of Oakes, served two terms; state senator from Dickey county from 1897-1901; was leading candidate for United States senator in 1899; nominated and elected congressman in 1902; which position he has since held.



### STATE SENATOR

Truman H. Thatcher

Born at Sharon, Vermont, January

28, 1851; moved to Menasha, Wis., when six years of age, where he received his education in the high school; married to Miss Phebe Smith, June 25, 1872; has one daughter, Mrs. J. D. Root, now of Guelph; came to Dickey county in 1883; has farm of 400 acres in Hudson township; elected state senator by Republicans in 1904 over Ed. N. Leiby, Democrat, by majority of 297 votes; is a great believer in this section of the state.

### REPRESENTATIVES

George Rose

Born at Thomson, Ill., July 27, 1861, where he was raised and educated; married to Miss Alice Carey of Thomson in 1882, came to Dickey

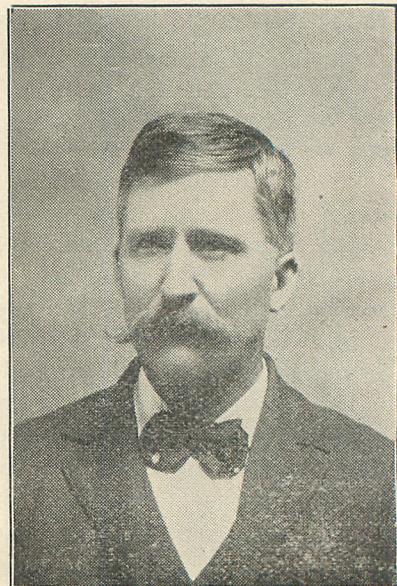


GEORGE ROSE

county the following year, homesteaded a quarter section in Elden township and has five quarter sections of land at same place; is Republican and is serving his fourth term as a representative from the twenty-fifth district to the state legislature; has six children, two boys and four girls; Mrs. Rose died in the fall of 1905; he is now a resident of Ellendale but continues to look after his farm.

Eugene F. Stevens

Born at Lowell, Mass., in 1858; early life spent in Virginia, Vermont and York state; came west to Iowa when twenty-one years of age; to Dickey county in 1882; proved up on quarter section of land in James River Valley township; owns same land today and has added another quarter section to his holdings; went back to



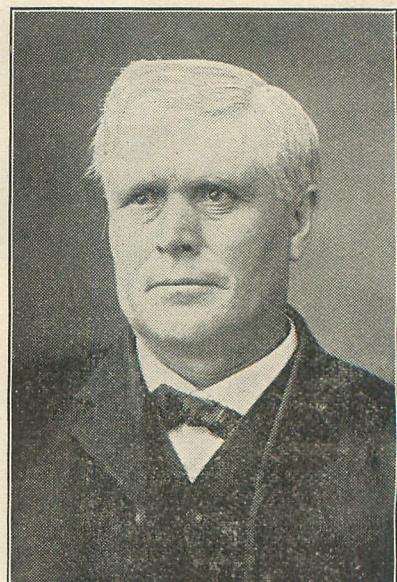
EUGENE F. STEVENS

Iowa in 1892 and remained four years, returning here with \$1,000 worth of experience; is married and has a family of five children; elected to state legislature as a Republican in 1900 and served four years; elected this year as county commissioner, defeating L. C. Stenquist, Democrat.

### SHERIFF

Joseph C. Drew

Born in Dodge county, Wis., August 16, 1857; left Wisconsin for Iowa when seven years of age; was

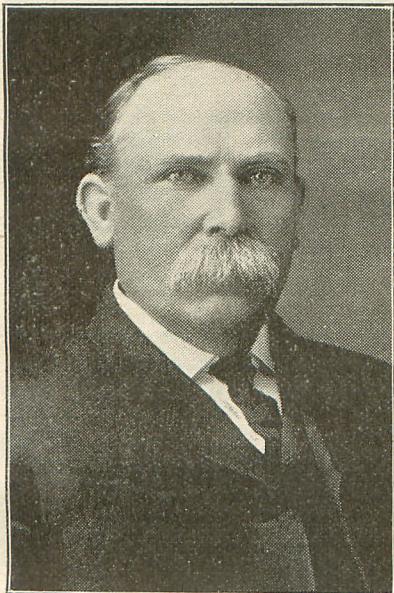


JOSEPH C. DREW

left orphan at age of twelve and spent some years in several states to the

south; came to South Dakota in 1880 and to Dickey county in 1882, where he farmed it near Monango until about 1897, when he took charge of the oil tank at Monango for the Standard Oil Co., in which capacity he served seven years; was married to Miss Agnes Orr November 5, 1890, and has two boys and four girls; elected county commissioner from Fourth district as a Republican in 1896 and served four years; elected sheriff in 1904 by majority of 369 over R. O. Smith, Democrat; re-elected this year without opposition, receiving 792 votes.

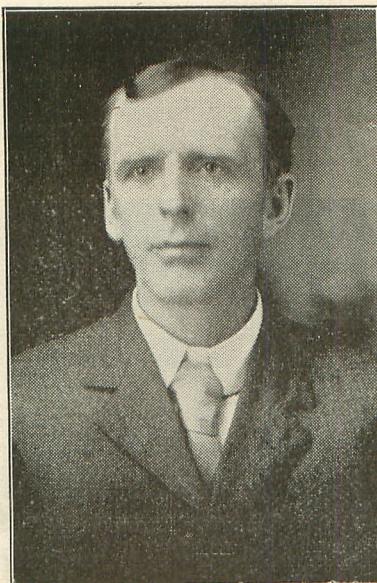
W. D. Huffman, of Oakes, and C. W. Wattles, of Ellendale, are his deputies.



#### TREASURER

##### Hans Lee

Born in Ringeriger, Norway, in 1854; raised there and educated in common schools and at Ringeriger's College; also had business course in college in Christiana; came to America in 1878, settling in Freeborn county, Minn.; came to Oakes in 1887 where he was engaged in mercantile business for himself, later entering the employ of P. S. Peabody, general merchant, and continuing with Klein & Sutmar until 1904; married to Miss Bertha Foss in Minneapolis in 1886, and has one son, Theodore, 19 years of age, and now the efficient deputy treasurer; was city treasurer from 1889 until his election as county treasurer by the Republicans in 1904 receiving a majority of 528 votes over L. L. Taylor, Democrat; re-elected this year without opposition, and is the most painstaking and competent official the office ever had.

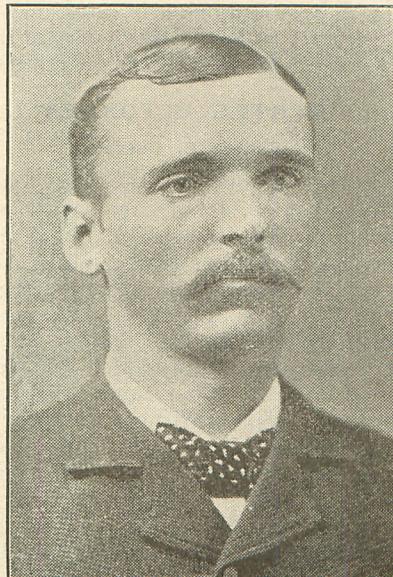


**AUDITOR**  
A. W. Eygabroad

Born at Fredericksburg, Iowa, on November 5, 1861; raised and educated there; and when twenty-one years of age came to Dakota territory and settled in Liberty township in what is now South Dakota; married Miss Clara Parks in Iowa fifteen years ago and has one daughter, May, thirteen years of age; moved to Elm township in this county in 1897; elected county auditor as a Republican in 1904, defeating C. C. Misfeldt, Democrat, for a second term by 171 votes; re-elected this year.

##### Deputy Auditor

V. E. Haskins was born in 1872; came to McIntosh county in 1892 and to Dickey county in 1895; married Miss Ada Phillips in 1896 and has



W. E. KELLOGG

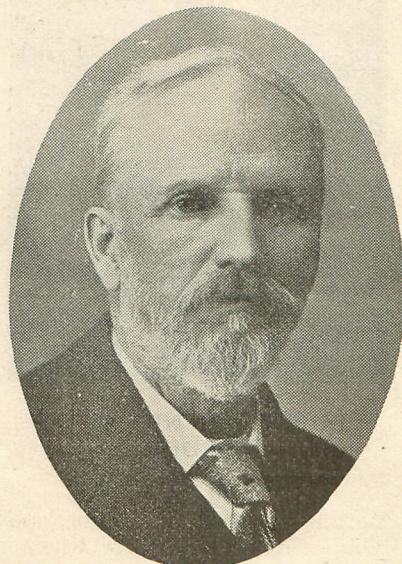
three children—two boys and one girl; came to Ellendale to assist the late Judge Flemington in 1902, and was chosen deputy auditor at beginning of Mr. Eygabroad's term in 1905.

#### REGISTER OF DEEDS

##### W. E. Kellogg

Born at Rose, Wayne county, New York in 1859; educated in common schools and later at Munroe Collegiate Institute; taught school; came to Dickey county in 1883 and homesteaded 160 acres in Whitestone township and now owns 640 acres; believes in diversified farming with especial attention to dairying; married to Miss Cora Lane in 1890 and has four children; served as county commissioner from the Fourth district as a Republican from 1893 to 1896; elected register of deeds in 1904 by a majority of 522 over A. G. Ramharter, Democrat.

Mrs. Kellogg is deputy register.



#### PROBATE JUDGE

##### George H. Fay

Born in Hudson, New Hampshire, February 24, 1842; came with family to Whiteside county, Ill., in 1844, where he passed early days and received his education; studied law and was admitted to practice before the supreme court of Illinois in 1868; veteran of civil war; entered as private of Company B, 34th Illinois Infantry, served little over a year and discharged for disability; again entered Company B, 140th Illinois infantry, served six months and was mustered out; again entered Company B, 147th Illinois as first lieutenant, serving six months as lieutenant and six months as captain; mustered out in February, 1866; in the war with Spain in 1898 he was commissioned a major and was paymaster during that short war; married to Miss Amanda Renwick,

who has since died leaving two children, Carl and Inez; again married to Miss Anna Brumagim, his present wife in 1876; came to Dakota in 1886; was delegate from McIntosh county to the constitutional convention in 1889, member of house of representatives from same county in 1891-93; held terms as states attorney and probate judge of McIntosh county; came to Oakes in 1896; was city attorney and city auditor of Oakes; appointed county judge after the death of Judge Flemington in January, 1905; reelected in 1906 without opposition.



#### SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

**Mrs. G. M. Lovell**

Born in Independence, Mo.; moved to Ohio with her parents when two years of age; received education in schools of London, Ohio; taught nine years in city schools or until her marriage with Robert E. Van Meter in 1883; was in Kansas five and half years, then to St. Paul, then to Fargo, then to Ellendale, arriving there in 1891, where Mr. Van Meter was editor and proprietor of the Ellendale Commercial, succeeding C. C. Bowsfield; Mr. Van Meter met with a gasoline explosion in his printing office in 1895, causing his death; his wife carried on the newspaper until the following year when it was leased to R. W. Farrar, now secretary to Senator P. J. McCumber; has four children—Florence, Edwin, Hattie and Herbert; Mrs. Van Meter was assistant principal of the high school of Ellendale for two terms; married to Thomas Lovell of Ludden in October, 1897; taught school at Ludden; moved back to Ellendale in early nineties;

was elected as a Republican to the position of county superintendent in 1904 by 263 votes over W. W. Denning, Democrat; reelected in 1906.

Miss Florence Van Meter, the eldest daughter, is deputy superintendent.



#### CLERK OF COURT

**J. E. Baker**

Born in Canada, July 31, 1868; educated and is a graduate of high school in Canada; came with parents to Dickey county in 1883; lived in Port Emma and Lovell townships; married to Miss Mabel A. Foster in February, 1900; has one son, Floyd A., five years of age; owns 160 acres of land in Lovell township which he homesteaded; elected clerk of court as a Republican in fall of 1902 and has served four years, in 1904 receiving the highest majority of any man on the ticket; reelected this year for third term over W. C. Fait by 531 majority.

#### STATES ATTORNEY

**Ernest E. Cassels**

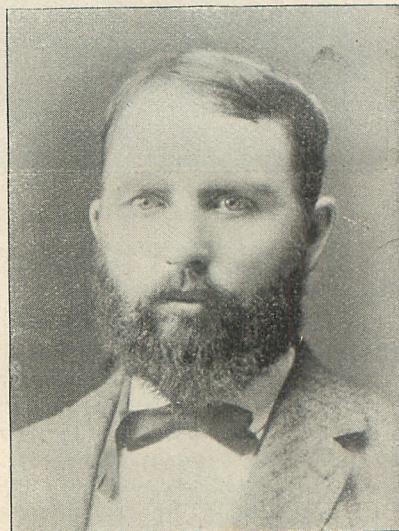
Born in Kentville, Ontario, Canada, September 22, 1869; came west with parents to Watertown, S. D., in 1880, and the following year came to Aberdeen, preceding the railroad; attended school at Aberdeen and later the Northern Indiana Law School, located at Valparaiso, from which he graduated in June, 1895; came to Dickey county in 1896 starting a law practice in Ellendale with C. M. Stevens of Aberdeen, under name of Stevens & Cassels, which continued for two years; married Miss Louise Chambers of Prairie du Chien, Wis., on February 28, 1900, and has two boys; elected states attorney in 1898, served two years and was beaten in conven-



ERNEST E. CASSELS

tion for renomination; was leading candidate for district judge in 1904 being defeated by Judge Allen in convention by only a few votes; again elected states attorney in 1904 and reelected this year without opposition.

A man who had been interested in the affairs of the county since the beginning was Alex. D. Flemington, who



THE LATE ALEX. D. FLEMINGTON

passed away at the beginning of 1905, after an eight years' illness from paralytic rheumatism. Mr. Flemington was states attorney in the early days, and, with W. H. Rowe and L. D. Bartlett, represented this county in the constitutional convention in 1889. He held the office of probate judge for six years prior to his death.

## The Board of County Commissioners

**N**O part of the official work of the county is more important than that which devolves on the board of county commissioners. They are the executive officers, the men who have supervision over all other offices of the court house, and look after the financial end. Dickey county has always had a good board, and none more

in summer of 1882; educated in public schools and in high school of Ellendale; married Miss May Wheeihan in 1898; has three children—two boys and one girl; lives in Elm township where he owns 320 acres of land; thinks Dickey county is strictly all right; elected as a Republican from the Second district in 1904 by a majority of 32 votes over Emil Retzlaff, Democrat; elected chairman of



C. D. SCOTT

L. C. STENQUIST

C. W. SULLIVAN

B. L. ADAMSON

R. E. GRIFFIN, CHAIRMAN

### HONORABLE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

keenly alert to the interests of their constituents than the present board. We are pleased to present herewith a short sketch of each:

C. D. SCOTT

FIRST DISTRICT

Born in Columbia county, Wisconsin, in 1862; raised and educated in Mitchell county, Iowa; lived in Minnesota and Iowa before coming to Dakota with his family in April, 1883; lives in Ellendale township where he is a successful farmer; married to Miss Mary Pehl November 15, 1891; no children; thinks Dickey county will stand comparison with any part of North Dakota, and North Dakota will hold its own with any other state in the union; elected county commissioner from the First district as a Democrat in 1904 over E. F. Dunton, Republican, by 7 votes.

RALPH E. GRIFFIN  
SECOND DISTRICT

Born in Cochituate, Mass., seventeen miles from Boston, in 1876; came to Dickey county with his parents

the county board in which capacity he has served two years; reelected in 1906.

L. C. STENQUIST

THIRD DISTRICT

Born in Sweden, July 5, 1852; educated in the common schools of that country; learned the trade of a stonecutter and mason; married Miss Margaretta Larson, September 17, 1877; came to this country in 1880, settling in Sioux Falls, Dakota, where wife died in 1881, leaving two children; came to LaMoure county in 1882 where he took a pre-emption; came to Dickey county in 1883, and after filing on a tree claim says he had only \$3.00 left; now owns a farm of 589 acres, 75 head of stock and a complete set of farm machinery, all paid for; remarried at Lisbon in 1884 to Miss Ida Johnson, who passed away two years ago, leaving four sons; there were two daughters by this marriage but both have passed hence; elected as county commissioner from the Third district in 1902 as a Democrat for a four-year term over J. T. Scott, Republican, by three votes.



MISS FLORENCE VAN METER  
Deputy Superintendent



V. E. HASKINS  
Deputy Auditor



THEODORE LEE  
Deputy Treasurer

A TRIO OF GOOD LOOKING DEPUTIES

C. W. SULLIVAN  
FOURTH DISTRICT

Born in Kingwood, Somerset county, Pennsylvania, April 12, 1876; educated in public schools of Somerset county; employed on father's farm until sixteen years of age, when he was employed in different public works, such as sawmilling, coal mining and carpentering; afterwards learned enameling trade which he followed until he came to Dickey county in spring of 1897; married to Miss Ella M. Wilson on January 10, 1900, and has two children, Joanna and LeRoy, aged six and four years; owns 460 acres and has made all since coming to this county; values his land at \$40 per acre and thinks that in the near future improved land in the county will easily bring \$50 per acre; was elected commissioner from the Fourth district in 1904 on the Republican ticket, defeating E. G. Sweeney, Democrat, by 68 majority; re-elected in 1906 without opposition.

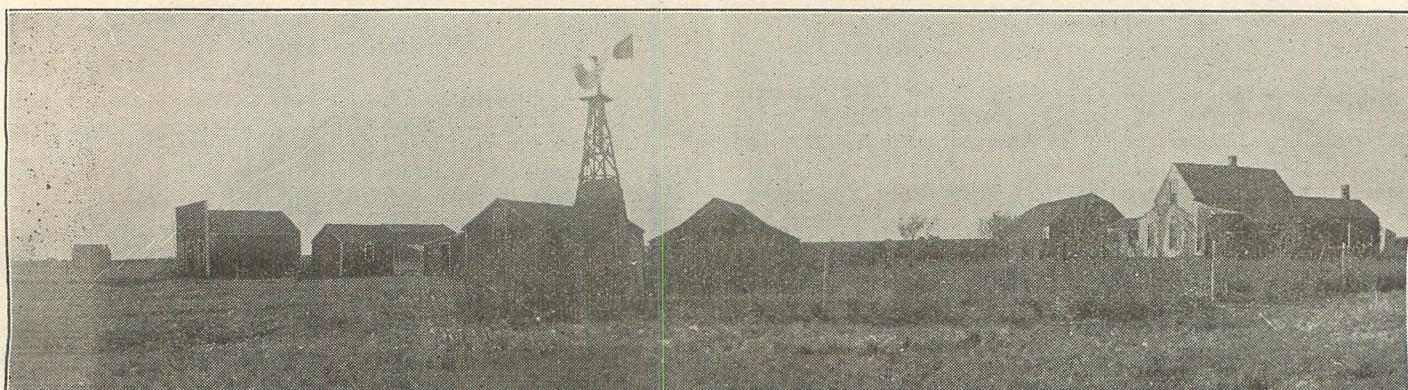
B. L. ADAMSON  
FIFTH DISTRICT

Who represents the Fifth commissioner district is a Republican and was born in Marion county, Ohio, on June 18, 1848; assisted his father in farming; worked in

a sawmill for three years, being engineer of the mill half this time; came west to Indiana and then back to Ohio; in 1868 he came west again, settling in Champaign county; later conducted a mercantile business in Rankin, which he continued until he was burned out three years later; rebuilt and continued the business for a year when he went to farming; married Miss Mary J. Wilson in Indiana, December 12, 1849; five children, Sarah A., Maude S., Emma J., Cynthia A. and Thomas V., all grown up; also adopted a nephew, son of his youngest sister, who is dead, the boy is now eighteen years of age; came to Dickey county in 1883; farmed from 600 to 800 acres in Lovell township, but of late years has gone more into stock raising; is a great country, he thinks, to give a poor man a start; elected in 1904 over J. F. Coleman, Democrat, by 77 majority for four year term.

OTHER COUNTY OFFICIALS

The officials who are elected to begin terms of office on January 1, 1907, are: B. S. Hodges, coroner, reelected; D. B. Piper, surveyor; Thomas Sefton, C. E. Knox, J. R. Higgins, B. S. Kingsley, justices of the peace; Guy Reams, John Wirth, W. R. Singleton, Wm. Marks, constables. Dr. H. P. Boardman is county superintendent of board of health.



VIEW OF THE H. F. EATON FARM IN PORT EMMA

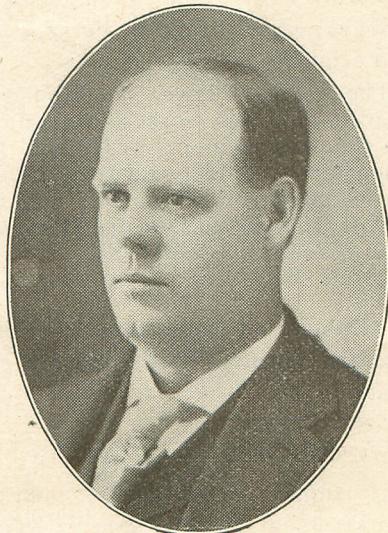
## A Little History of the Newspapers of Dickey County

WITH the westward march of civilization the newspaper has kept apace. In the early history of Dickey county there were many printing offices from which every week was heralded the story of a country rich in soil and broad in acres. The newspaper has been an important factor in the de-

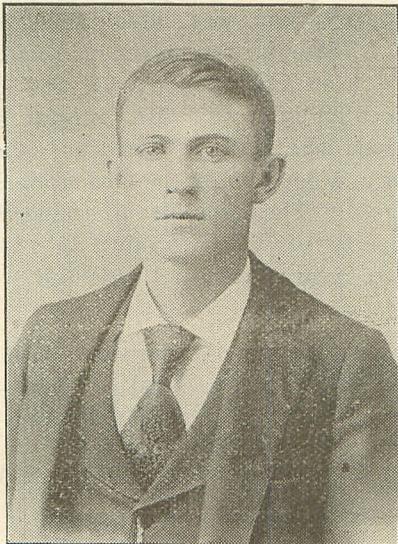
a few years under the guidance of W. H. Rowe. The Ellendale News came under the editorship of Ed. A. Smith and went out of existence. The Jim River Journal sold its list to the Port Emma Times, which moved to Ludden and took on that name when that town

spring of the Hudson Herald, the Port Emma Times and the Jim River Journal, and was run by Ellis & Brown. The Leader had come under the control of Moore & Goddard in 1887 and the Commercial had C. C. Bowsfield as its guiding star.

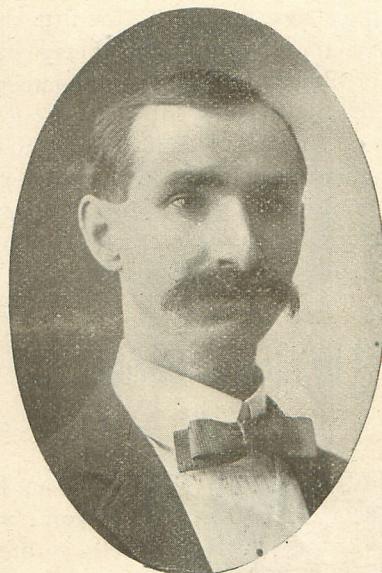
When matters became interesting



FRED S. GODDARD  
Editor the Dickey County Leader



HECTOR H. PERRY  
Editor the North Dakota Record



ALEX. R. WRIGHT  
Editor The Oakes Times

velopment of Dickey county and a short history here of its journalism would not be out of place.

The Dickey County Leader has the honor of being the oldest paper in the county. It was started in May, 1882, by Wesley Moran, who continued its publication about five years. Along in the early days there were many papers started. The Jim River Journal published at Eaton by Mr. Fancher; the Port Emma Times by Edwin S. Gilbert; the Hudson Herald by R. H. Busted; the Ellendale News by D. B. McDonald; the Keystone Commercial by L. H. Wilson, the Dickey County Press at Yorktown.

After the "phat" of the final proof business had been fried out some of these combined with other papers, moved to more desirable locations or suspended publication. The Keystone Commercial moved to Ellendale in 1885 and became the Ellendale Commercial. This was succeeded in Keystone by the Optic which ran for

was enjoying its boom in 1886 by the coming of the North-Western railroad. The Hudson Herald moved to Oakes when this town came into existence in 1886.

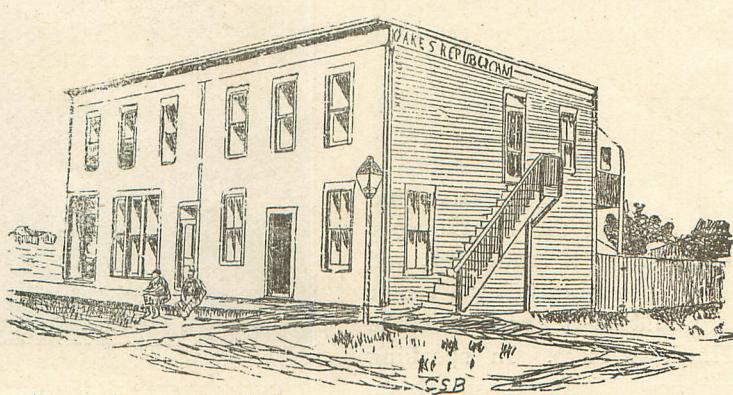
By 1890 the number of newspapers in the county had dwindled down to three—the Oakes Republican, the Dickey County Leader and the Ellendale Commercial.

The Oakes Republican was the off-

in the political field and when the people became imbued with the idea that populism was the real thing for the country, the Oakes Independent flung its banner to the breeze in 1893 with the name of E. W. Weston at the masthead, and the year following the North Dakota Record was started in Ellendale by Perry & Son.

The Commercial had passed in 1891 to the ownership of R. E. VanMeter, who died in 1895. Later it fell into the hands of the other two papers.

In 1891 E. J. Moore sold his half interest in the Leader to E. A. Smith, and the firm name was Goddard & Smith until the acquisition of Mr. Smith's interest by A. R. Wright



OAKES REPUBLICAN IN THE EARLY DAYS

on Dec. 1, 1897. This partnership continued for six years, F. S. Goddard becoming sole proprietor in October, 1903. Mr. Goddard was mayor of Ellendale one term, and served his city four years as postmaster. He is a native of McGregor, Iowa; came here in 1883; was married to Miss Anna Erickson of McGregor, and has one son, Herbert.

The North Dakota Record is now owned solely by Hector H. Perry, who succeeded Perry & Son after the death of the senior member of the firm about three years ago. Mr. Perry came from Wisconsin to remain permanently in 1894; was clerk of court from '99 to '03; and is present United States commissioner. He was married to Miss Jennie Monty in December, 1897, and last year erected for himself the very finest residence in El-

lendale. In this connection it might be said that Mr. Perry is also a lawyer and dabbles considerably in real estate. He runs a Democratic sheet and jabs the Republican newspaper men when he feels like it—whether they need it or not.

The Oakes Republican was "twenty-third" at the beginning of the twenty-third volume—the present year—when it became The Oakes Times. C. S. Brown was editor in the early nineties, when the plant was owned by a stock company, and was later joined by W. L. Straub, who moved his Rustler here from Cogswell in 1894 and assumed an interest. Mr. Straub remained here until his cartoons called him to a position on the Grand Forks Herald. The Republican became the property of Ed. A. Smith in 1898; three years later it absorbed the

Oakes Independent, and in October, 1902, was purchased by Goddard & Wright, proprietors of the Ellendale Leader. Mr. Goddard was editor for a year, and then the partnership dissolved, Mr. Goddard taking the Leader and the Wright end of the firm, the Republican. What we have further to say on The Times will be found in the writeup of Oakes.

Two more papers were added to the list of county exchanges last February when the Forbes Republican, edited by R. R. Cable, and the Forbes Tribune, edited by O. S. Perry, came into existence.

The Oakes Times, the Ellendale Leader and the Forbes Republican are Republican in politics, while the Ellendale Record represents the Democratic end of the argument, and the Forbes Tribune classes itself with the independents.

## The Iowa Farmer in North Dakota

By L. J. NICHOLS



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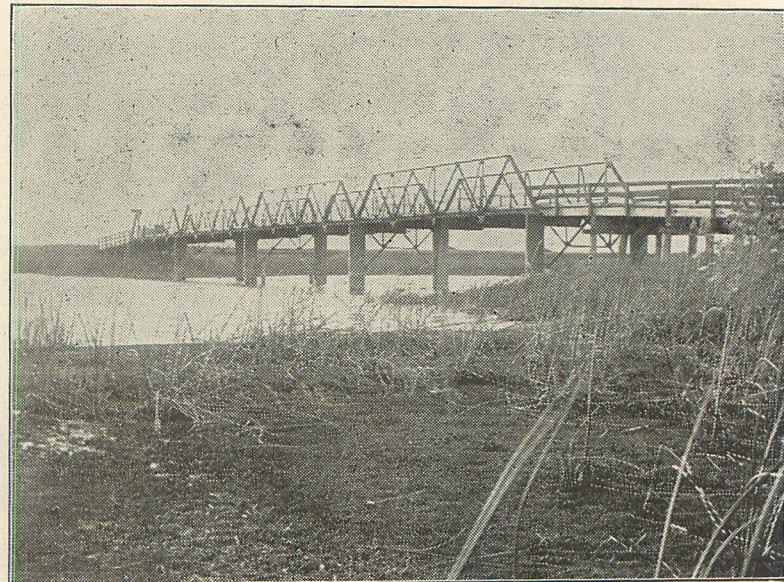
BEING an Iowa farmer in North Dakota, you no doubt thought me well adapted to the subject you assigned me, or at least I could say something from personal experience. However that may be, I have no hesitancy in saying that the Iowa farmer in North Dakota is a success, and not only a success for himself but for the great state of North Dakota as well. Quite a large per cent of the population of the state were Iowa farmers. Many of them were among the early settlers. They have stayed by the state through its different changes and today think more of North Dakota than they ever did before. The rapid development of the state and its great prosperity are due largely to the labor, industry and capital of the Iowa farmer.

We find the Iowa farmer readily adjusts himself to the changed conditions of farming as he finds it here; that he is prosperous and contented and that he is among the most progressive and successful of the state. Here the Iowa farmer with small means has become a landowner, and has a home of his own, instead of being a renter all his life as he would have been had he remained in the Hawkeye state. In speaking from personal experience, I want to say I am

satisfied with North Dakota. I have done well here, and in many respects the country has surpassed my most sanguine expectations.

## THE FINANCES OF DICKEY COUNTY

The auditor's and treasurer's semi-annual statement, June 30, 1906, showed assets of \$62,058.56 over liabilities, with \$42,203.83 cash on hand and in banks. The value of court house, jail and grounds was \$16,000 and there were \$19,523.97 due from uncollected taxes. Bonds against the county, \$15,000. Steel bridges span the rivers at convenient places of travel, a valuable asset which amounts to thousands upon thousands of dollars.



COUNTY STEEL BRIDGE OVER THE JIM RIVER NEAR LUDDEN



VIEW OF UNION STREET LOOKING WEST

## THE HUSTLING CITY OF OAKES



AKES has now passed the twentieth milestone of its existence. It is hard to realize that but two decades ago the spot where now stands our city, teeming with life and bustle, was the home of the antelope and buffalo, that passed to and fro almost unmolested by man.

Twenty years ago last May there was not a house or building of any description in sight, other than the sod shanties of our fellow townsman, William Mills and of John M. Jones. Mr. Mills had the southeast quarter of section 20 for his homestead and the southwest of 21 for his tree claim and Mr. Jones had the two quarters exactly south. All four quarters came to a point at the crossing of what are now Union and Fourth streets. The nearest settlements were at Ellendale thirty miles away, Grand Rapids thirty-five miles, Lisbon at a distance of forty-five, and Columbia to the south thirty-seven miles.

### The Coming of the Railroads

The North-Western had decided to extend from Columbia, a boom town of the early eighties. The Northern Pacific had reached LaMoure and it was destined that the two should meet or run paralleling lines. The North-Western had about decided to stop at Ludden and make that the terminus; but this was unsatisfactory to the Northern Pacific as the other road had the town-site. A compromise was effected whereby the site of a town was to be selected farther north. In the month of May, 1886, W. K. Cook, the general right-of-way agent of the North-Western, made his first appearance in this vicinity. He looked for a very desirable location as he knew that the junction of the two gigantic railroad lines meant a city at no distant day of more than ordinary importance. He camped here for awhile, discovered that water could be obtained any place at a depth of from

twelve to sixteen feet—water of the purest kind, right out of the gravel. The natural lay of the land, high on the banks of the Jim river, showed an adaptation for drainage not surpassed by any other location. In the month of August, Mr. Cook succeeded in getting options to the west quarter sections of land owned by Messrs. Mills and Jones. A plat of the town was made, and the main street—known as Union street—was laid out directly on the section line running east and west, and Fourth street on the line running north and south. In the latter part of September the North-Western reached Oakes and the rails of the Northern Pacific were soon joined with it, making the connecting link at this point, which proved to be the gateway between North and South Dakota.

### Oakes is the Name

The town was named in honor of T. F. Oakes, then vice president and general manager of the Northern Pa-



DECORATION DAY SCENE IN EARLIER DAYS OF OAKES

cific Railway Company. It was laid out on a large scale. Instead of streets the usual width of sixty-six feet, they were made eighty feet and everything had its start from the section line.

**Sale of Town Lots**

The railroad company had advertised its sale of town lots for September 29th. P. S. Peabody was the purchaser of the first lot offered, paying therefor \$250. In one hour's time \$14,000 worth of lots had been struck off in amounts ranging from \$150 to \$355. Work at once began on buildings and ere winter had closed in, Oakes was not only a town in name but in reality. The Bank of Oakes, which has just been moved back from its old site to give place to the finest bank building in the state, was among the first, as was the store of P. S. Peabody and the Vinkle House by Henry Vinkle. The growth of Oakes the first year was phenomenal. Over two hundred buildings had been erected, among them being three large elevators.

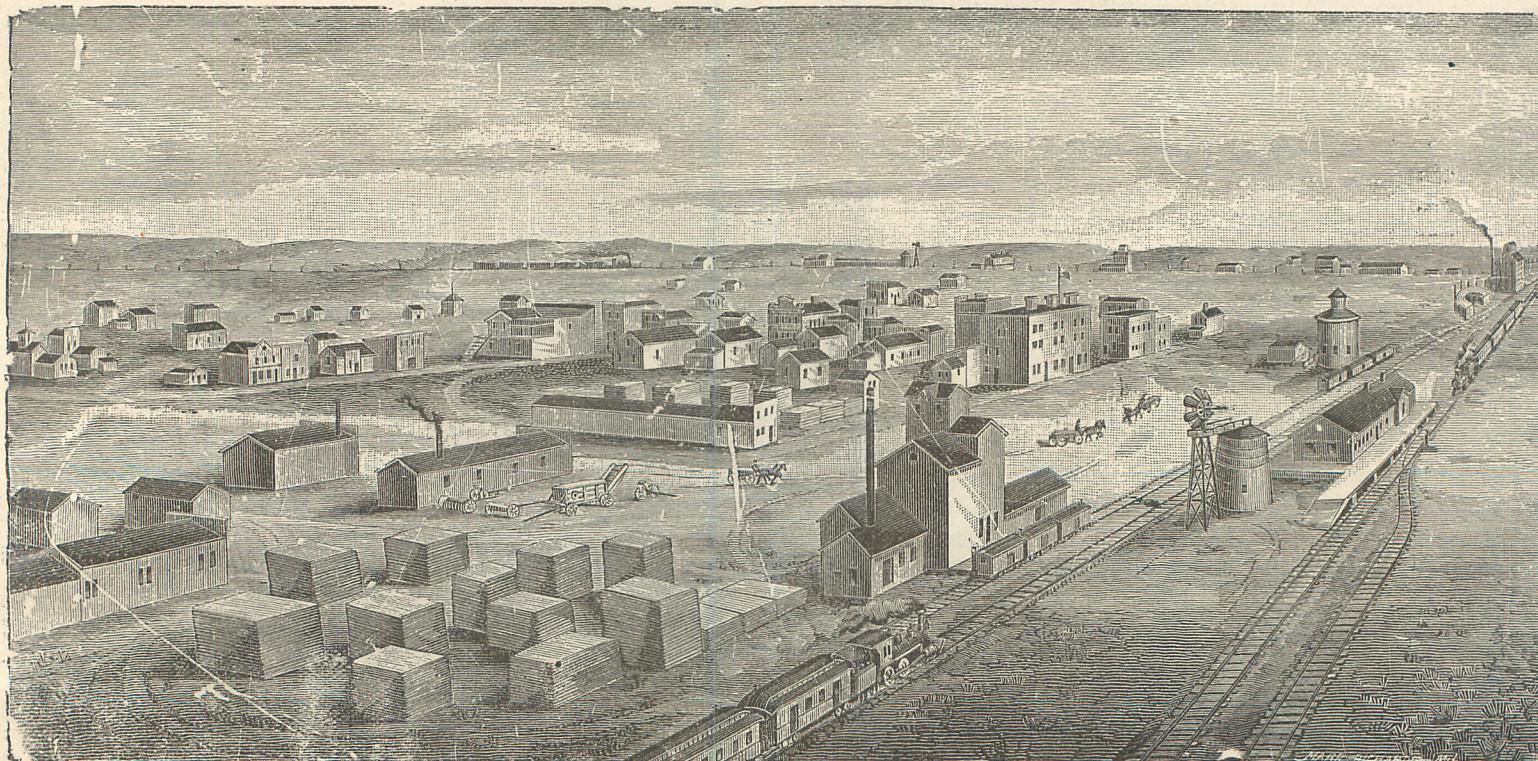


OAKES WAS ALWAYS PATRIOTIC—EARLY DAY FOURTH OF JULY SCENE

**The Soo Puts in an Appearance**

In July, 1887, a party of surveyors struck Oakes from the east. The terminus of the Soo, then the Minneapolis & Pacific, was at Forman and was coming this way. Soon after and unexpectedly came Messrs. Underwood and Lidgerwood, prominent officials of the Soo, with their chief engineer. They showed that the road had purchased the old grade of the Dakota Midland Railway Company, a corporation that had organized at Ellendale for promoting the projection of a line east to Wahpeton, then a promising railroad city. The Dakota

Midland had secured the right of way and done considerable grading. It passed through the old town of Hudson and to the south of Oakes about three miles. The Soo officials were closeted for a time with T. F. Marshall, then cashier of the Bank of Oakes, and through him the fact was communicated to the citizens that the Soo would enter Oakes providing inducements were



PEN SKETCH OF OAKES AS IT APPEARED WHEN A YEAR OLD

made. Mr. Marshall set to work with all his energy, secured the right-of-way through the town and armed with other concessions from our citizens, went to Minneapolis, and not only succeeded in getting the road to enter Oakes but carried in his inside pocket a contract

reaches the city at 8:20 in the evening, and the North-Western at 2:30 in the morning. The Soo passenger arrives from the east at 7:00 in the morning and the east-bound train from Bismarck in the evening at 7:30. The Northern Pacific passenger gets here at 1:30 in the af-



PART OF OAKES AS IT NOW APPEARS LOOKING FROM THE WEST

from the officials to make it a division point on the line. Oakes has been a division point from the very start.

#### Other Railroad Extensions

The Soo kept pushing westward and by 1893 had extended to Kulm. It is only a few years since that it reached the capital city, Bismarck, where it crosses the main line of the Northern Pacific. Three years ago it acquired a valuable addition in the purchase of the Bismarck & Washburn line, which was built for the purpose of hauling coal from the vast lignite beds of McLean county. Last year it pushed further up the Missouri slope, and a junction was made this year between Garrison, the terminus of this branch, and the main line at Drake. In 1898 the Northern Pacific joined its Duluth-Staples line with the James River Valley line, thus making Oakes the terminal of each division.

#### Our Excellent Train and Mail Service

The converging of so many lines at Oakes makes it a great railroad center. No city in North Dakota can show better railroad advantages. With eight passenger and eight freight trains daily, several of them making headquarters for the night, it promises to be a commercial center of great value. The transient trade is marked by the three large hotels—two of them three stories above ground—that are constantly filled with guests, and four restaurants that do a thriving business day and night.

Two passenger trains leave Union depot in the early morning—the North-Western at 5:10 for all points south and east, with through trains direct to Chicago, and the Northern Pacific at 6:15 for Wahpeton, Staples, Duluth and the twin cities. Returning the Northern Pacific

afternoon from Fargo and Jamestown, and returning leaves at 2:30. This gives us a mail service from all directions that is hard to beat. The freight traffic is heavy and besides the regular service as many as ten extra freight trains have been known to pull out of Oakes in a single day during the busy season.

#### General Appearance of the City

Entering the city the first thing to catch the eye of the stranger as he comes from Union depot is its wide, well-graded streets and the fine broad sidewalks of concrete lining both sides of the main street. Facing the depot are two first-class hotels—the Vinkle to the left and the Home to the right. To the back of the Vinkle is the large concrete livery barn and sheds of Teal & Stanley. A block farther up can be seen the seventy-five foot



PATRIOTIC OAKES—STATE G. A. R. ENCAMPMENT TWO YEARS AGO

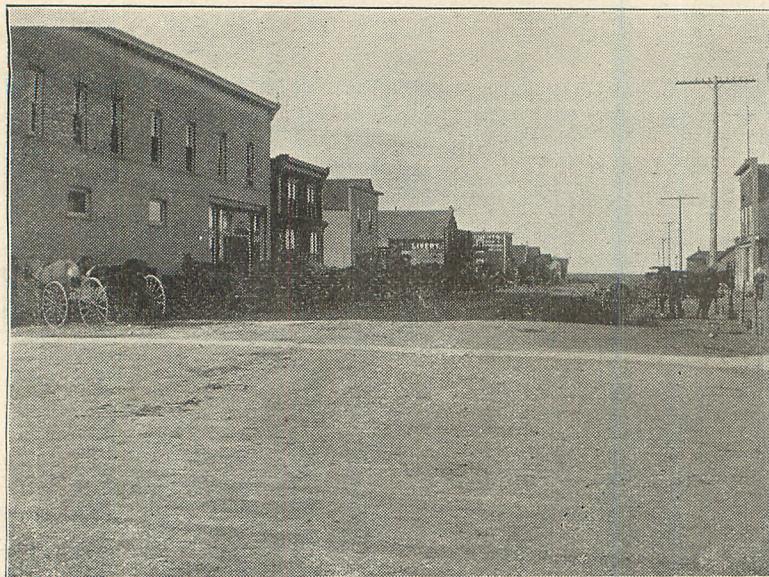
front brick building of Klein & Sutmar and across the street on the other corner the finest all-brick building in the state—the new home of The First National—built of Roman pressed brick and heavily trimmed with Bedford stone. Next comes the Argyle hotel to the right, and

three splendid looking houses built of pressed brick, and portending what is coming to Oakes in the way of finer and more substantial residences. To the south can be seen the steeples of the Presbyterian, Methodist and Scandinavian churches, and to the north the steeples of the Swedish Lutheran and Roman Catholic churches. On South Second street can be seen Union Temple, the home of the secret societies, a fine building 25x85 feet, and across from there a fine two-story building of concrete blocks. At the end of this street can be seen the fine mill which manufactures wheat into flour at the rate of 150 barrels per day, and then the Soo yards, which morning, noon and night are kept a continual hive of activity.

Coming back to the Union depot we see some things that we had not noticed before. There are hundreds of freight cars on the tracks, placed there to unload, or waiting to be hauled to their destination; the large line of elevators. Across the tracks can be seen the square brick plant of the Oakes Commercial Company, where is manufactured the gas consumed in the city, and just beyond the thriving plant of the creamery, owned by the North American Storage Company. A walk to this interesting place and you come in sight of the Jim river and as you look first up the river and then down, and witness the fine lay of the valley, dotted with farm buildings, stacks of hay put up for winter, and here and there a herd of cattle browsing peacefully on its banks, you feel that this is a city and country filled with the brightest prospects for the future and opportunities for the man who is willing to invest his time or his money.

#### Complete System of Sewers and Waterworks

Oakes put in a system of sewers and waterworks two years ago at an expense of \$30,000. Drainage is made to the Jim river. The sewer is flushed by the water from three artesian wells, of three-inch pipe, each having a pressure of from 90 to 125 pounds to the square inch. The water mains are of four inch, very heavy iron pipe,



LOOKING NORTH ON SECOND STREET FROM MAIN CORNER

what is known as the Roberts block on the corner opposite. Passing still further along comes one hundred feet of brick fronts to the south—the business places of Ramharter Grocery, Oakes National Bank, Druggist Foot and Hicks Grocery Company—and then the fine steel covered fifty-foot front building of the Cash Mercantile Company. On the north side of the street and adjoining each other are 125 feet more of solid fronts—the fine two story blocks of John Kennedy, Wm. Lockie, Miss Piper and Boardman Bros. Around the corner on Third street north can be seen the large private hospital of Dr. H. P. Boardman, built of concrete blocks, and on the farther end of the street the busy corner of the Oakes Steam Laundry; farther east the fine brick school building, and then on the further end of Union street



HOW EAST OAKES IS GROWING—THREE BRICK RESIDENCES IN THE FOREGROUND

and hydrants are placed at advantageous points throughout the city to be used in case of fire. Nearly all the business places and residences on the lines have been connected with these modern conveniences. The past summer the plumbers of the city were taxed to their utmost to meet the demands of the residents who were adding toilet and bath rooms to their business places or their homes.

**Well Lighted Too**

Three years ago the business interests demanded that the city be better lighted and a stock company was formed, known as the Oakes Commercial Company, and a gas plant erected and mains laid, costing \$9,000. The streets are well lighted with acetylene gas, as well as the business places and many of the residences.

**Population Is Increasing Fast**

In 1900 Oakes had a population, according to the census, of 688 people. In the five years following Oakes almost doubled its population, the state census showing a total of 1,303. By this time it has passed the 1,500 mark and is reaching out to double the figures again by 1910.

**Beginning of Substantial Building**

The era of substantial building began in 1903 when the three brick blocks were put up in a row on the south side of Union street and three bricks and a concrete block on the north side opposite. In 1904 came the Klein & Sutmar block, the brick school house, and the brick gas house. Last year the Boardman hospital, the brick

front adjoining the C. M. C. on the west, the concrete residence of Mrs. Robinson, and this year the First National Bank block, the John Kennedy block, the concrete block barn of Teal & Stanley, the Voight building of the same material on Second street, and the Ritterbush, Westergaard and Bittman brick residences on east Union street. The cut at bottom of adjoining page shows the latter, as well as three frame residences, in course of construction.

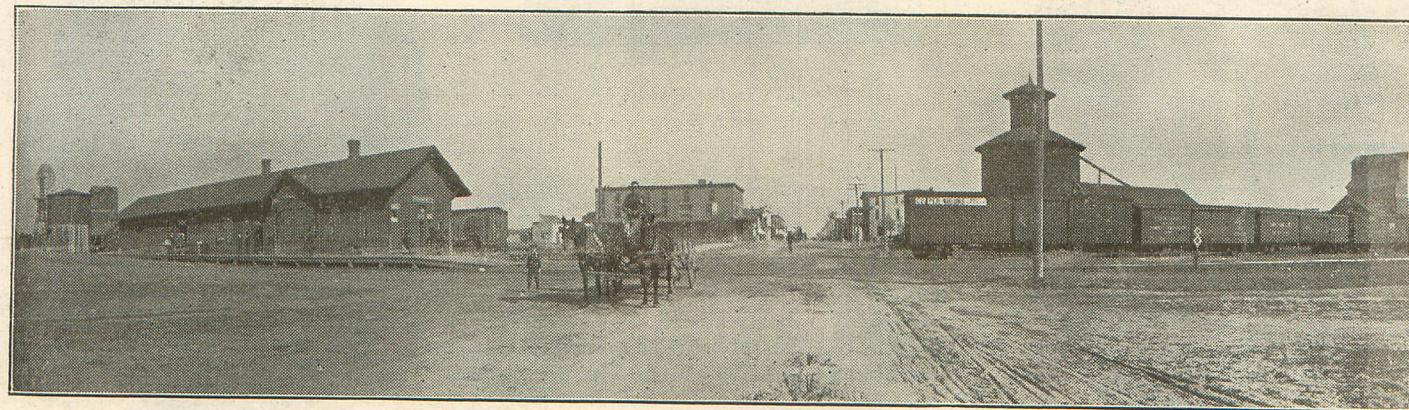
**Figures on the Improvements**

A few figures on the amount of building done the past four years would be interesting. The figures are conservative, and are more apt to under than to overestimate, as many minor improvements are not included. In 1902 the improvements, in round numbers, amounted to

\$52,000, in 1903 to \$65,000, in 1904 to \$82,000, in 1905 to \$65,000, and in 1906 to \$86,500. The First National Bank at \$15,000, the John Kennedy block at \$8,000, the Teal & Stanley barn at \$6,000, Murray Bros. lumber yards at \$4,000, the Mrs. Voight block at \$2,000, the Whitfield restaurant building at \$1,500, are among the heaviest additions this year to the business section. Among those who have put up or made additions to their residences this season are: C. Westergaard, Will. Ritterbush, E. W. Bittman, W. W. Denning, C. B. Sackrider, Mrs. Pauline Boethling, J. F. Sullivan, Mrs. McIntyre, Harris Bros., John Haywood, M. Casey, J. H. Coulter, N. A. Nepstad, Fred Babcock, Burton Hicks, Geo. Stanley, also the Swedish Lutheran church.



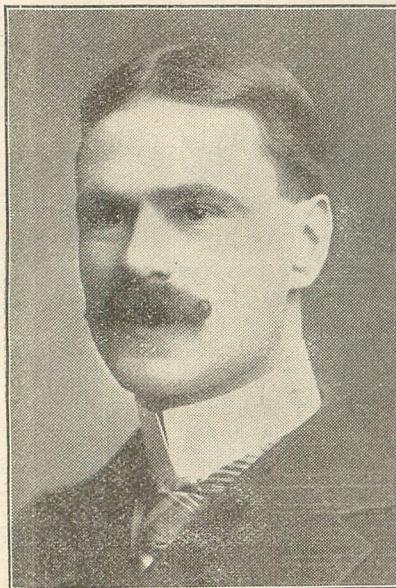
THE ARGYLE HOTEL



VIEW OF THE UNION DEPOT, RAILWAY YARDS AND ELEVATORS

## Members of the Present City Council

OAKES has a class of business men and citizens that are always pulling for the growth and betterment of the city. They are endowed with a spirit of progressiveness that is seldom exhibited in a town of this size. It has always been fortunate in its government. Every proposition that its officials have brought before the voter's has met with a loyal and hearty response. The unanimity of purpose that has characterized its citizens has had much to do with its rapid growth and prosperity. The latest move is for a city and fire hall that will be erected of brick, 55x80 in dimensions, to cost between \$4,000 and \$5,000. The basement has already been dug, and work will commence early next spring, so the building will be ready when the state firemen's tournament meets here in August. No partisan politics is injected into the election of our city officials and as a result the city has no factional differences to contend with. The present city council:



C. P. WALTON  
Alderman First Ward

C. P. WALTON, alderman from the First ward, was born at Star Prairie, Wis., Nov. 13, 1872; educated there in common schools and finished with a business course in a Minneapolis college; came to Oakes to take charge

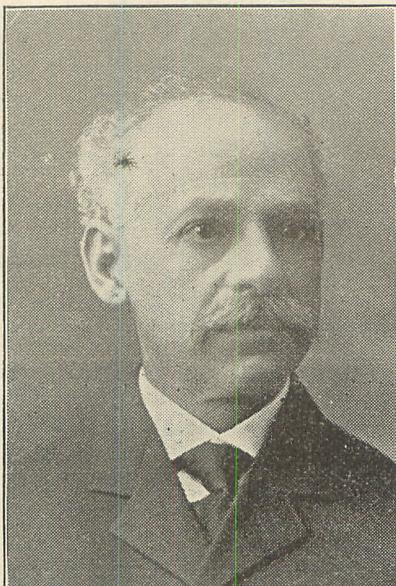
of flour mill in 1899, and with Dr. H. E. Perrin of Star Prairie owns that splendid manufacturing plant; married to Miss Elsie McDaniel, Dec. 31, 1901; has residence on Third street; was elected in 1904 and re-elected last spring.

J. H. DENNING was born in Holmes county, Ohio, Oct. 29, 1850; raised and educated there and in Illinois; married to Miss Mary Etta Price in 1874; seven children—four boys and three girls—all living but one son, Roy, who died last fall; came to Dickey county in 1883; owns fine farm



G. A. TUTHILL  
Alderman Second Ward

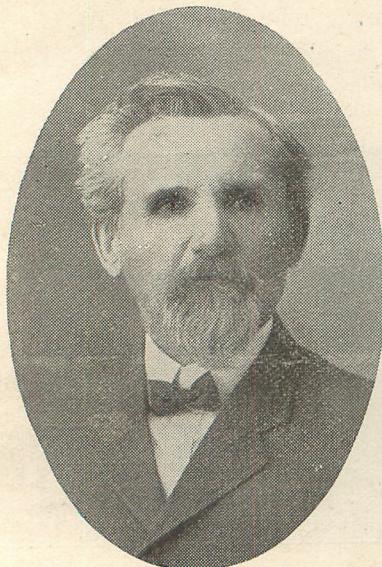
there and educated in the high school; married in February, 1885, to Miss Ida Standish (who is a direct descendant of Miles Standish, who came over in the Mayflower) and has two children—a son and a daughter; came to



E. W. BITTMAN  
Mayor

of 480 acres in Clement township, where he resided until 1904 when he moved his family to Oakes; owns a nice home on Second street and has half interest in Oakes Steam Laundry; director of Oakes National Bank; elected member board of education in 1905, but resigned when elected a member of the city council last spring.

E. W. BITTMAN, the present mayor of Oakes, was born in Akron, Ohio, March 16, 1856; was raised

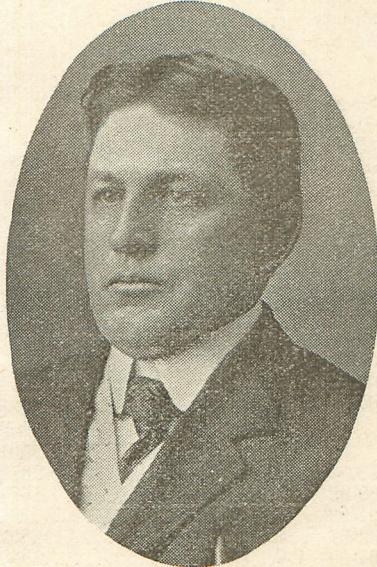


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Alderman First Ward



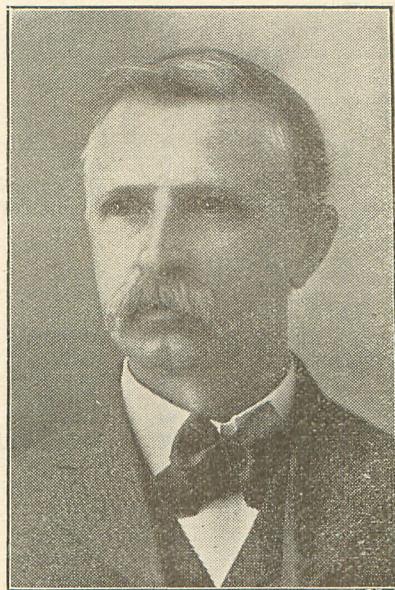
M. BOARDMAN  
Alderman Second Ward

Columbia, Dakota Territory, in 1883; to Oakes at the time of the sale of town lots in 1886; purchased the lot on which the Roberts block now stands and established a branch of the "Great Western," with headquarters at Aberdeen; erected the present C. M. C.



H. C. MC CARTNEY  
Alderman Third Ward

H. C. McCARTNEY was born at Cassville, Wis., March, 21, 1869; moved to Iowa when four years old and received most of his education at the Alta high school; went from there



C. S. BROWN  
Alderman Third Ward

block in 1893; was alderman of the city from 1896 to 1904; became mayor in 1905; is president of the Cash Mercantile Company and owns a modern residence on East Union street.

G. A. TUTHILL was born in Monroe county, Wis., on December 1, 1870; came to Dakota in 1879 with parents and settled at Watertown; educated at Watertown high school and had course at State Agricultural College at Brookings; came to Oakes in 1902 to engage in land business, but two years later went in partnership with A. H. Perkins in the farm machinery business; purchased his partner's interest in 1905 and has since been conducting the business for himself; was elected alderman from Second ward in 1905.

MARTIN BOARDMAN was born in Tioga county, Pa., May 1, 1852; came west with family to Rochester, Minn., when but three years of age, where he was raised and educated; married to Miss Ann E. Gates in 1874, who died in 1895, leaving four children—three girls and one boy; came to Warner, Brown county, S. D., in 1882, where he followed farming until coming to Oakes in November, 1901; took charge of furniture store in April, 1902, and is interested in the business with his brother, Dr. Boardman; married to Mrs. Alma Dillingham in 1903; elected alderman from the Second ward in 1904 and reelected last spring.



A. P. SLOCUM  
A Former Business Man and Official  
of Oakes

C. S. BROWN first saw the light of day at Milwaukee, Wis., where he

was born on April 12, 1859; graduated from Woodstock, Ill., high school in 1878 and from Chicago University in 1882; came to Dakota in 1883; farmed in Port Emma township where he still has fine farm; was interested with W. H. Ellis in publication of



C. D. HOLMES  
City Auditor

Port Emma and Ludden Times, and in 1890 came to Oakes to take charge of the Oakes Republican; was largely interested in paper along in nineties and had editorial control when it was owned by a stock company; sold interest in Republican in 1898 to Ed. A. Smith and went in partnership with C. J. Fenton in hardware business same year; married Miss Alice M. Eaton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Eaton, in 1889 and has three daughters; was city auditor of Oakes from '91 to '97; owns a good residence with all modern conveniences and the building used by Dr. Ryder as a hospital; was member of school board three years; elected alderman from First ward in 1905 and from Third ward last spring.

C. D. HOLMES was born at Morrisville, N. Y., January 31, 1879; was raised and educated in New York and in Minnesota; took a short course in University of Minnesota; came to Oakes in 1901 and was assistant cashier and stenographer in the First National Bank for a number of years; was private secretary to Congressman Marshall one term; married to Miss Florence Sweetman New Years Day, 1906; became city auditor in 1906, succeeding W. T. Brown, who resigned; is at present engaged as stenographer for Star Land Company.

The city council meets the first Monday of each month.

# Officers of City Since Organization

## Mayors

T. F. Marshall.....	1888-91
W. H. Ellis.....	1891-93
H. P. Boardman.....	1893-97
W. D. Bryan.....	1897-99
W. B. McCarthy.....	1899-04
H. C. McCartney, Pres.	1904-05
E. W. Bittman.....	1905-

## Aldermen

### FIRST WARD

J. B. Root.....	1888-89
D. Lynch.....	1888-90
C. Gorder.....	1889-90
W. B. Howland.....	1890-92
J. M. Given.....	1890-92
C. G. Howard.....	1892-94
C. Gorder.....	1893-95
Andrew White.....	1894-96
L. M. Devendorf.....	1895-97
J. M. Given.....	1896-97
E. W. Bittman.....	1896-04
W. B. McCarthy.....	1897-99
C. Gorder.....	1898-91
E. A. Porter.....	1899-04
C. P. Walton.....	1904-
C. S. Brown.....	1905-05
J. W. Bush.....	1905-06
J. H. Denning.....	1906-

## Aldermen-Continued

### SECOND WARD

M. H. Robe ts.....	1888-89
A. Ritterbush.....	1888-89
S. H. Groshaug.....	1889-90
P. S. Peabody.....	1889-95
H. Vinkle.....	1890-96
S. H. Martin.....	1891-93
S. G. Cady.....	1895-96
D. W. Holbrook.....	1896-97
A. L. Sutmar.....	1897-03
M. J. Donovan.....	1901-04
A. H. Perkins.....	1903-05
M. Boardman.....	1904-
G. A. Tuthill.....	1905-

### THIRD WARD

J. F. McCarthy.....	1888-91
H. P. Boardman.....	1888-93
E. W. Weston.....	1891-93
E. O. Ulness.....	1893-95
E. Boehmler.....	1893-95
Hans Lee.....	1895-96
W. M. Lockie.....	1895-99
John Kennedy.....	1896-97
H. C. McCartney.....	1900-
E. Mayhew.....	1901-05
C. S. Brown.....	1905-

## Treasurers

J. W. Lucas.....	1889-92
W. B. Howland.....	1892-93
M. N. Chamberlin.....	1893-99
Hans Lee.....	1899-04

## City Justices

A. G. Hemenway.....	1889-01
J. T. Scott.....	1901-03
W. S. Wickersham.....	1903-05
W. A. Pannebaker.....	1905-

## Police Magistrates

R. S. Angell.....	1890-93
E. W. Weston.....	1893-95
W. L. Straub.....	1895-96
W. H. Marsh.....	1896-97
T. W. Bush.....	1897-98
M. J. Anderson.....	1898-99
W. F. Boylan.....	1899-02
W. H. Bush.....	1902-05
W. S. Wickersham.....	1905-

## City Attorneys

E. W. Robey.....	1888-89
J. R. Buxton.....	1889-92
A. T. Patterson.....	1892-93
W. H. Ellis.....	1893-97
Geo. H. Fay.....	1897-99
S. G. Cady.....	1899-03

## City Auditors

J. E. Spurling.....	1888-91
C. S. Brown.....	1891-97
F. W. Waldron.....	1897-03
Geo. H. Fay.....	1903-05
W. S. Wickersham.....	1905-05
W. T. Brown.....	1905-06
C. D. Holmes.....	1906-

## Chiefs of Police

B. F. Roddle.....	1888-89
S. H. Martin.....	1889-90
J. M. Reynolds.....	1890-92
F. M. Crandall.....	1892-97
J. H. Coulter.....	1897-99
Ed. Sanderson.....	1899-99
Sol. Hunter.....	1899-05
H. E. Hyatt.....	1905-06
Sol. Hunter.....	1906-

## Assessors

E. G. Baldwin.....	1888-89
W. F. Canfield.....	1889-91
D. A. Shuter.....	1891-
A. P. Slocum.....	1892-
Chas. Blenkner.....	1893-
J. B. Root.....	1894-
Irv. Clubine.....	1897-99
W. H. Bush.....	1899-05
H. V. Hicks.....	1906-

The above table may not be exactly authentic but is as near as we can get to it from the official minute book

## A Few Acorns

THE very best of hunting and fishing can be had in the vicinity of Oakes. The country along the Jim river is a favorite place for prairie chickens and grouse. Many hunters from the eastern states make Oakes their rendezvous at the beginning of September each year when the chicken season opens. The picture on this page shows what a party of our young people accomplished in four hours at the opening of the season last September. In the string are 45 chickens and one duck.

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The best duck shooting is to be found on the lakes northeast of Oakes and along the Jim river. In the spring and fall the geese seem to follow the river on their course north and south and our sportsmen bag a nice lot each year as they

settle to feed in the wheat fields along the Jim river.

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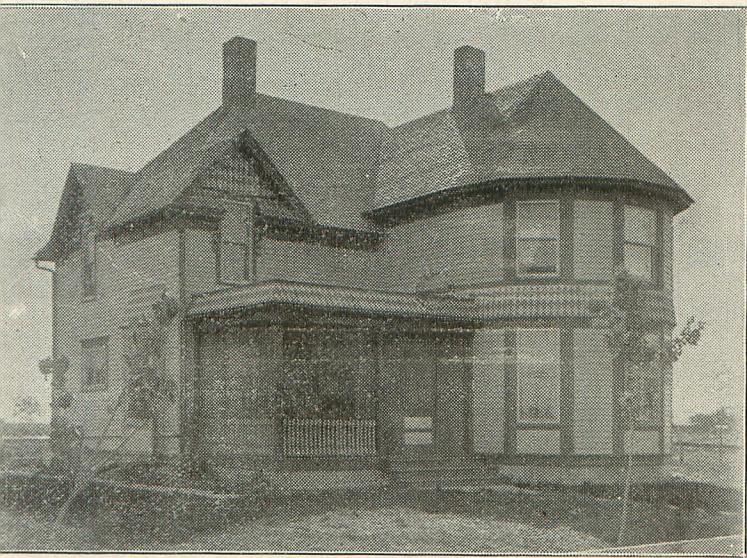
Large quantities of fish are taken from the river each season, among the varieties being pike, pickerel, perch, sucker, and bullhead. Myriads of fish are taken from the waters of the Jim each winter. It has become a pastime with our small boys—and some big ones too—to cut a hole in the ice and scoop the fish out by the basketful. Many artesian ponds have been stocked with the finny tribe, and in these places they are rapidly increasing in numbers.

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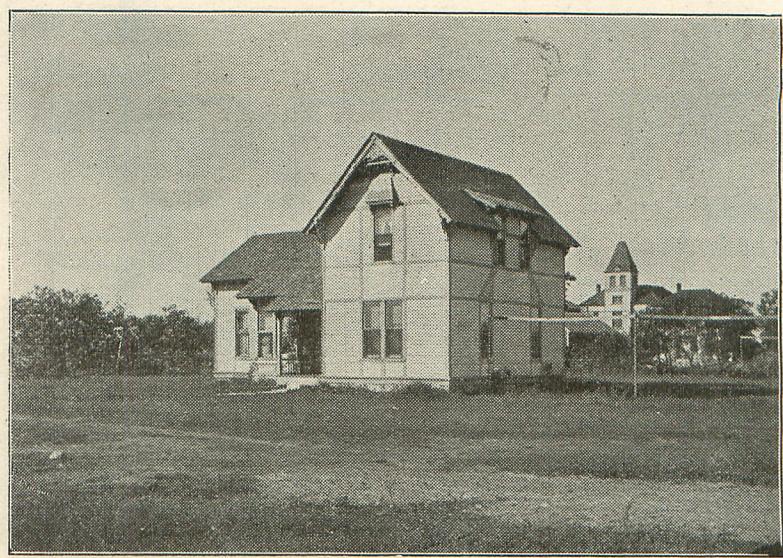
The average rainfall (rain only) for the past six years has averaged 22.86 inches for each season.



Claude Coulter Mabel Bateman Florence O'Neill Homer Ellsworth  
FOUR HOURS' HUNT ON BANKS OF JIM



RESIDENCE OF MAYOR BITTMAN



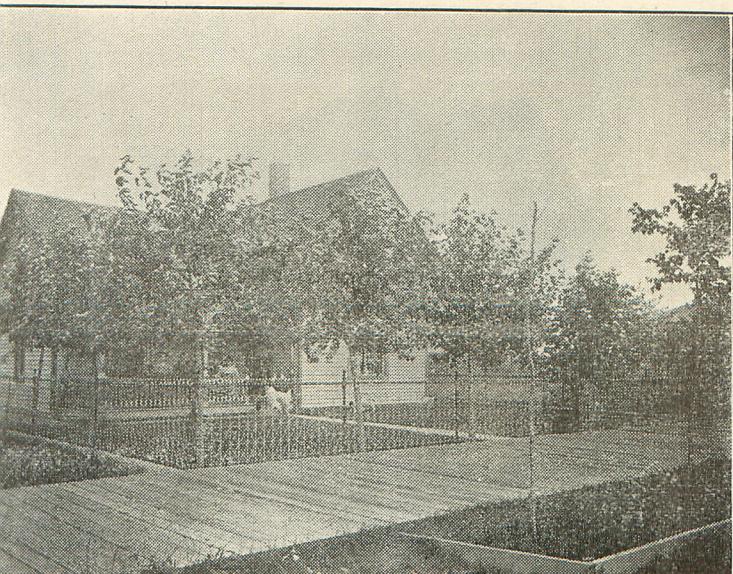
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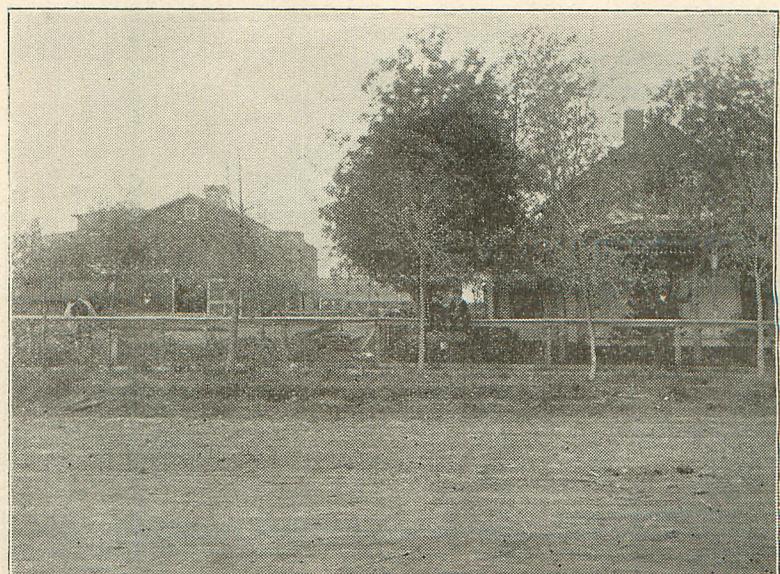
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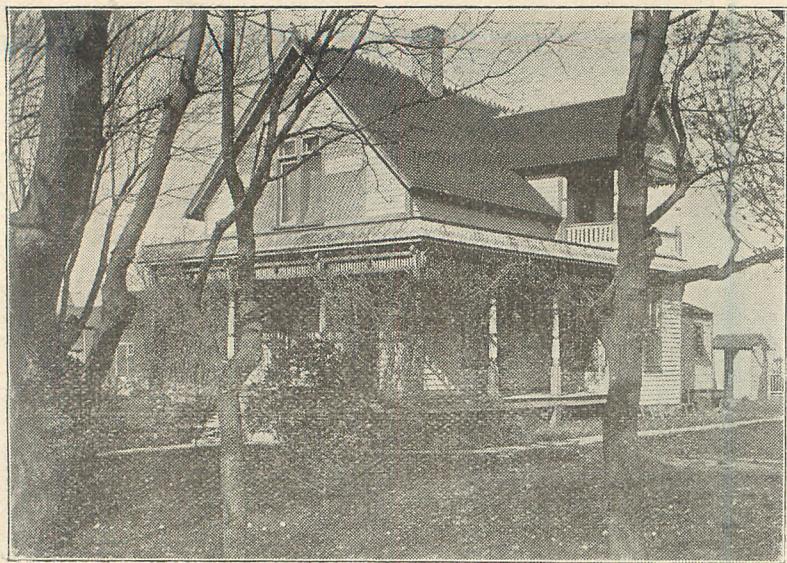
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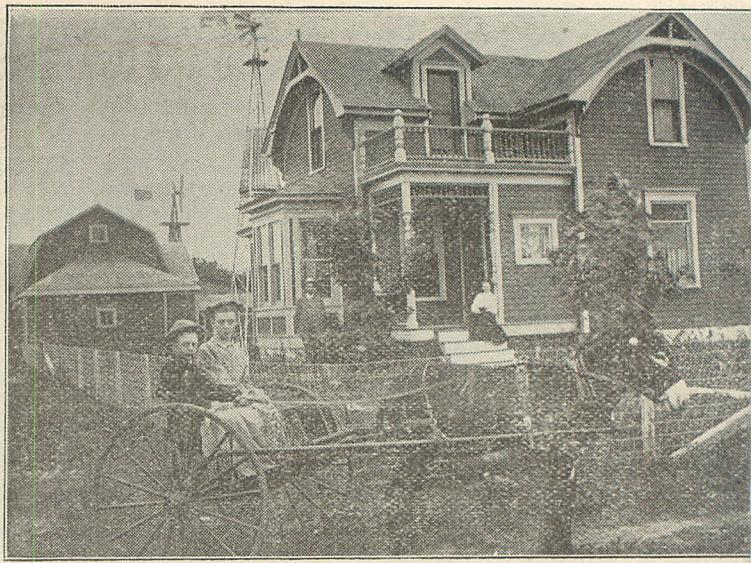
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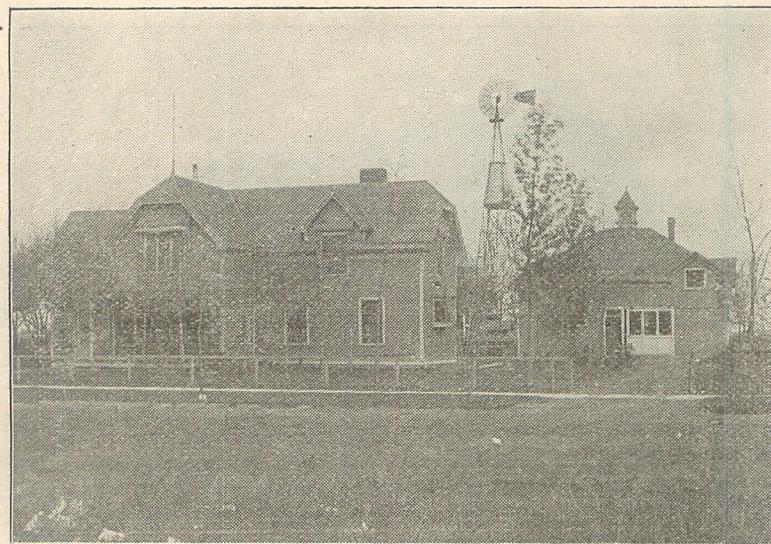
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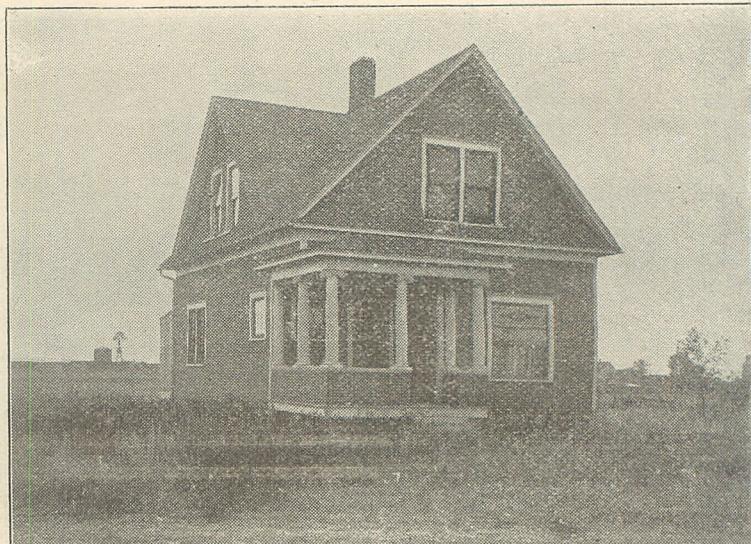
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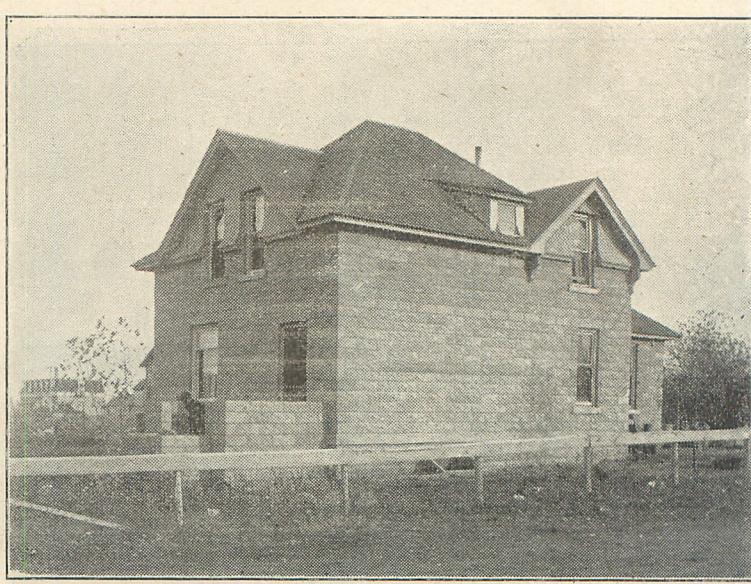
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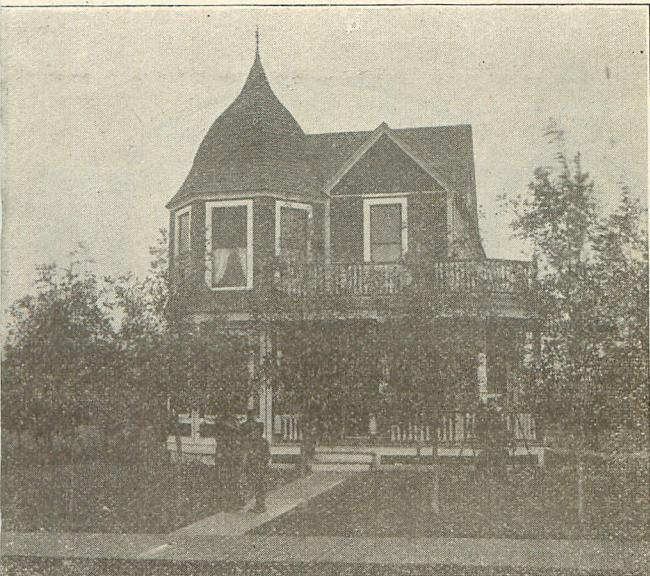
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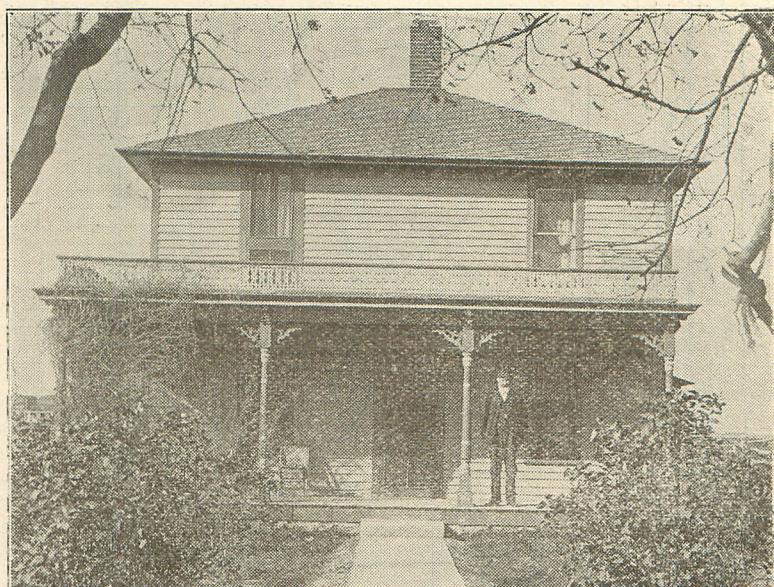
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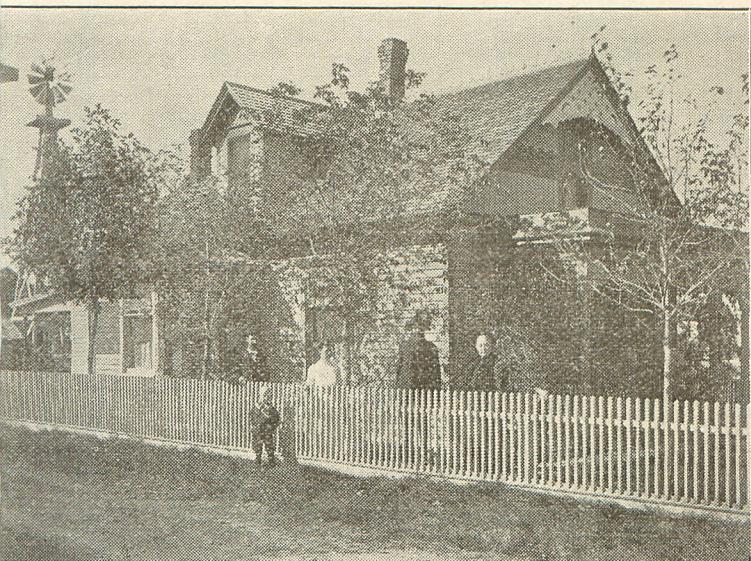
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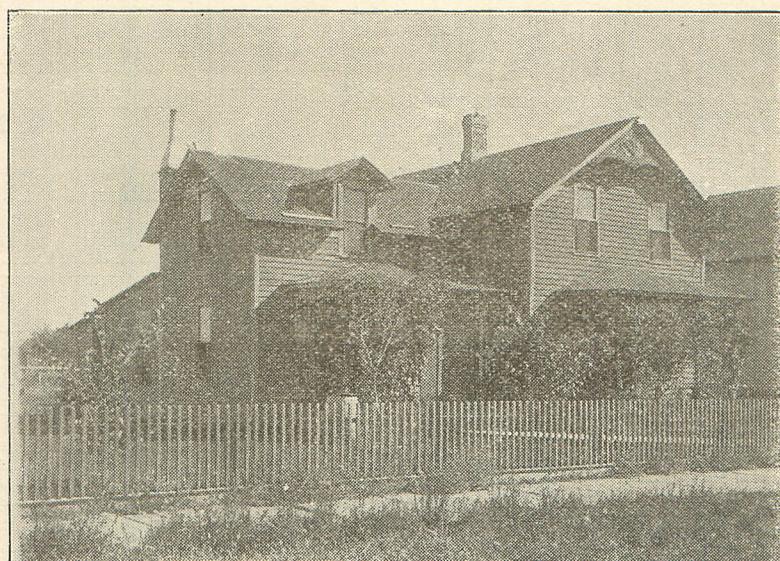
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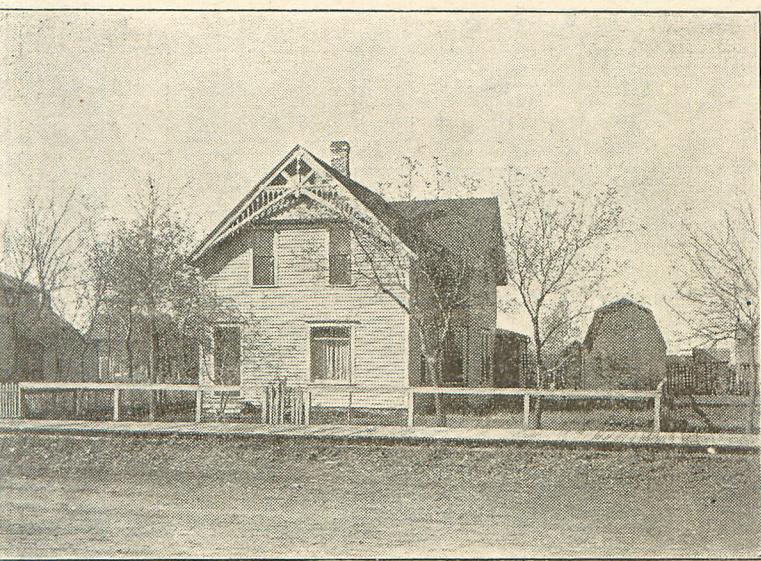
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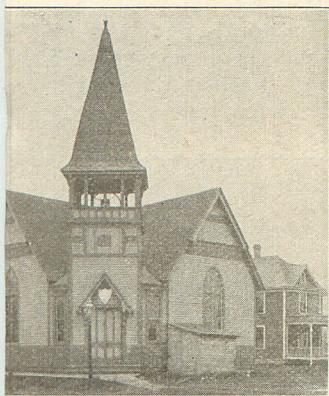
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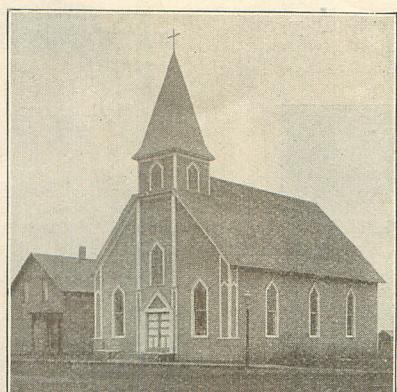
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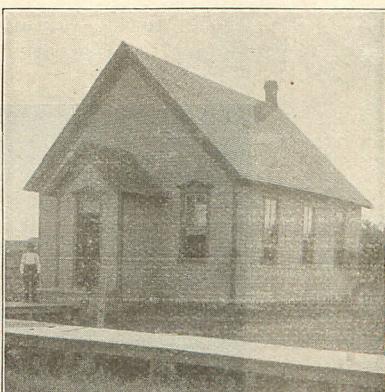
Presbyterian



Methodist



Roman Catholic



Swedish Mission

FOUR OF THE CHURCH BUILDINGS OF OAKES

## The Churches of Oakes

**T**HREE are churches in Oakes of the Presbyterian, Methodist, Roman Catholic, Swedish Lutheran and Swedish Mission denominations. While the buildings are not large, the membership of each congregation is getting larger and the religious sentiment stronger with each year. In the past two years three of the churches have added excellent parsonages—the Presbyterian at an expense of \$2,500, Methodist \$2,500, Catholic \$1,800. Besides this the Swedish Lutherans have erected a fine

REV. RALPH T. FULTON, pastor of the Presbyterian church, was born on a farm near Warsaw, Ill., on Dec. 27, 1878; attended district school and later high school at Keokuk, Iowa; graduated from Knox College, Galesburg, Ill., with degree of A. B., in 1899, and from McCormick Theologi-

cal Seminary, Chicago, in 1903; married Miss Harriet Spencer, May 8, 1903, and has one daughter; took a course of music at Knox Conservatory and is a very talented singer, commanding a rich bass voice; was pastor of Warren, Minn., Presbyterian church and sang for Dr. J. R. Pratt, evan-

building this year at an expense of \$2,800. The Presbyterian and Methodist church buildings are growing inadequate and each is seriously agitating the question of larger edifices. There are strong denominations of the German Lutheran, United Norwegian Lutheran and the Hauge Synod of the Norwegian Lutheran. These have no church building but hold services weekly, bi-monthly or monthly in the other church buildings. Following will be found a brief biography of our ministers:

elist, before coming to Oakes, April 1, 1906; the church property is worth \$5,500.

REV. J. S. DELONG, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, was also born on a farm on March 18, 1865, in Mecosta county, Michigan; attended



METHODIST PARSONAGE



PRESBYTERIAN MANSE

public schools and is self-educated for the ministry, taking the four-year theological course prescribed by the



REV. RALPH T. FULTON

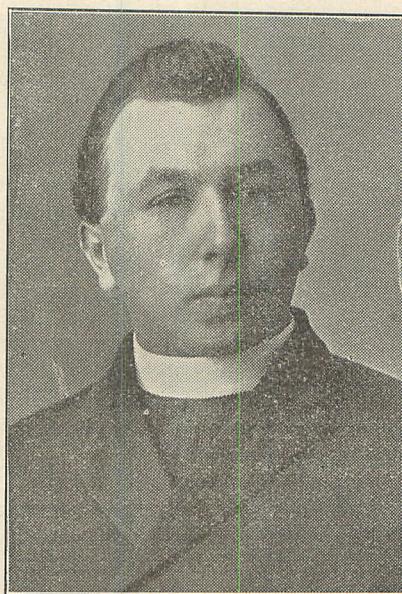
conference; married on Aug. 3, 1884, to Miss Susan E. Ward, and has a girl and boy; came to North Dakota Oct. 8, 1903, and has had one-year pastorates at Cooperstown and Minot before coming to Oakes; is now on his second year here and is doing excellent work in the church; the church property is valued at \$5,500.

REV. FATHER BAKER, who is in charge of the Roman Catholic church, was born in Luxemburg, Germany, Feb. 2, 1878; there he was raised and educated, and finished his studies for the priesthood at Cleveland, Ohio, after coming to this country; was assistant priest at Avon, Ohio, immediately before coming to North



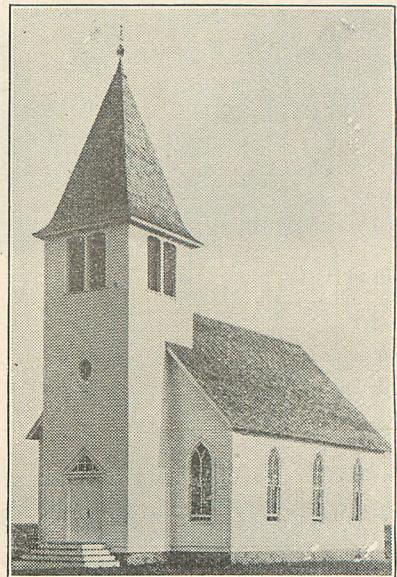
REV. J. S. DE LONG

Dakota in 1904; had charge of Jamestown church a year and in 1905 took charge of the Ellendale parish in which Oakes was then listed; became resident



REV. FATHER BAKER

priest here last year and also has charge of the LaMoure and Dickey congregations; church property here is valued at \$4,200. Father Baker will erect a Catholic school next season

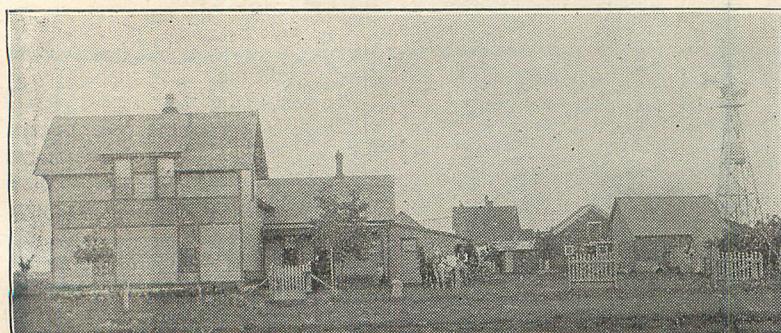


SWEDISH LUTHERAN CHURCH

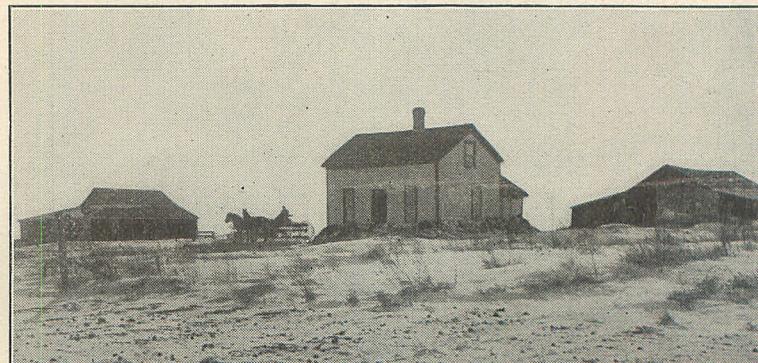
on lots he has purchased directly east of the church.

REV. K. L. KLEVELAND is pastor of the Norwegian Lutheran of the Hauge Synod; REV. J. H. LINDLAND of the United Norwegian Lutheran; REV. C. W. SAMULSON, who is now finishing his theological course at Rock Island, Ill., of the Swedish Lutheran; and REV. CARL LINSE of the German Lutheran. We are unable at this time to get life sketches of these pastors, who are doing a valiant work in the upbuilding of the Master's Kingdom.

Good Sunday schools and Y. P. S. C. E. and Epworth League societies are maintained in the Presbyterian and Methodist churches.



SCENE IN EAST OAKES



JOHN TRAINOR FARM NEAR DUANE

## The Public School System of Oakes

THE intelligence and moral status of a community is usually well estimated from the amount of interest manifested in the public schools. From the earliest period of its existence Oakes has maintained a good school system. The building is of brick and is situated at a commanding point in the eastern part of the city. It has a fine basement, is steam heated and is provided with all the modern conveniences that the city sewer and waterworks afford. Cement walks have been laid all around the building and a nice line of shade trees planted which in a few years will beautify and much enhance the value of the property. The first school building, which is shown on another page, was erected in 1887. That

served the pupils of the district until about four years ago when a wing was built of brick and the frame structure of the old building brick veneered and remodeled throughout.

Two years ago another wing was added, which is shown in the accompanying cut. The building sits about in the center of a half block, which belongs to the school. About \$14,000 have already been expended in the property. The members of the present board of education are: J. H. Coulter, president; J. B. Andrews, A. G. Ramharter, A. F. Klein and J. W. Bush. W. S. Wickersham is clerk of the board.

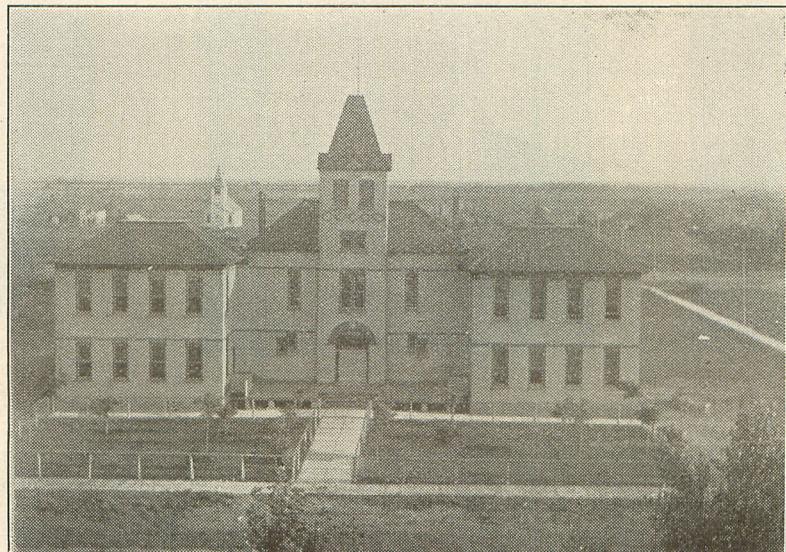
We are pleased to

give herewith a picture and short biography of each member of the board of education:

JOHN H. COULTER, president of the board of education, was born at Whitby, Ontario, Canada, Feb. 21, 1860; educated in Muskegon high school; married to Miss Ollie H. Wilson of Whitby, Aug. 10, 1882;

has two sons, Claude and Wilson; came to Dakota in 1879, first settling in Spink county, in what is now South Dakota; came to Oakes in 1891 and has since been engaged in buying grain; has been grainbuyer for At-

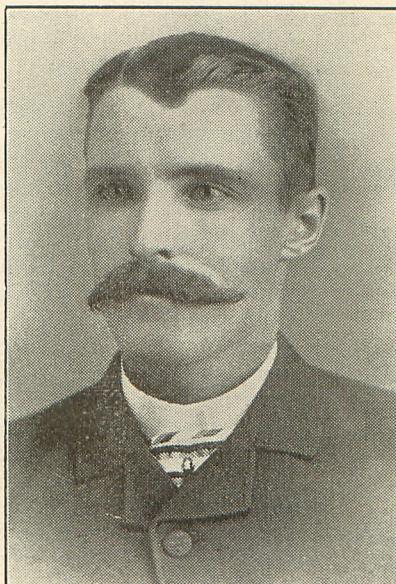
antic Elevator at Norway Spur for past four years; city marshal for several years; elected to board of education in 1897; elected chairman to succeed Dr. Boardman; owns residence on corner Fifth and Cedar streets.



THE PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDING OF OAKES.



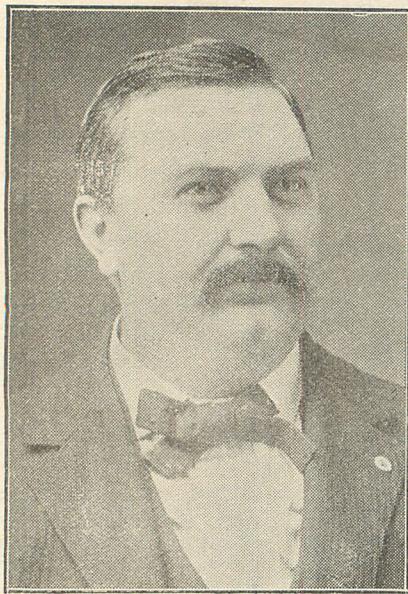
J. H. COULTER



J. B. ANDREWS



A. G. RAMHARTER



A. F. KLEIN



J. W. BUSH



W. S. WICKERSHAM

J. B. ANDREWS was born in McHenry county, Ill., Nov. 5, 1863; educated at Mason City, and in high school at Rockford, Iowa; married to Miss Carrie F. Finch eighteen years ago at Brampton, Sargent county, and has two sons; was at Milnor prior coming to Oakes five years ago; owns livery barn across N. W. railroad track where last year he erected for himself finest home in city; has served on school board three and one half years.

A. G. RAMHARTER was born at Webster City, Iowa, Aug. 1, 1866; raised there and educated in the high school; married to Miss Libbie Stanton in 1887 at Webster City; has one

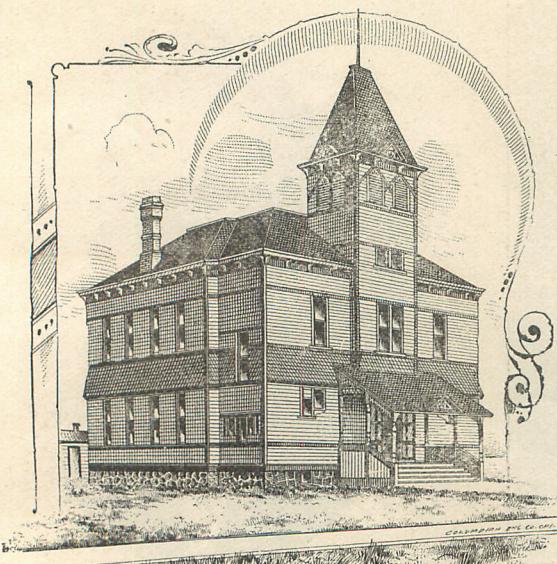
son and one daughter; came to Columbia, Dakota, in 1884, where he was engaged in grocery business; came to Oakes seven years ago last spring and opened Checkered Front Grocery; built the Ramharter block in 1903 and has half interest; elected to board of education in 1901; owns fine residence on corner Fifth and Cedar streets, and is largely interested in real estate.

A. F. KLEIN was born in St. Paul, June 26, 1863, where he was raised and educated; came to Oakes in 1894 and with A. L. Sutmar is engaged in general merchandising; is interested in ranch of 3,500 acres, southeast of Oakes; is good looking bachelor but apparently too busy to think much of matrimonial affairs; was elected to board of education in 1905.

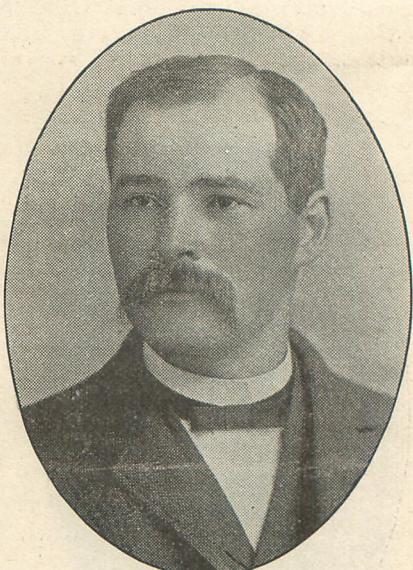
J. W. BUSH is a native of Canada, being born at Moriatown, Ontario, Jan. 27, 1865; in higher education had term at Brockville, Can., and had two years in business college in Minneapolis; came to Dickey county with father, T. W. Bush, in 1882, and turned first sod in four towns square—Port Emma, Lowell, Hudson and Riverdale; married Miss Cora Cady, Oct. 19, 1890, and has two sons; was engaged in business at Straubville before coming to Oakes three years ago to take charge of Corner Hardware; elected member board of educa-

tion last spring; owns good residence on Second street.

W. S. WICKERSHAM is a lawyer by profession and was born at Butler, Ill., Nov. 25, 1866; settled in Shelby county, Iowa, when twelve years of age; married to Miss Emma Durkee in 1897 at Defiance, Iowa, and has one son, seven years of age; came to Milnor in 1900 and to Oakes one year later; has served terms as city justice of the peace, city auditor and is present police magistrate; became clerk of school board in March, 1905.



THE FIRST SCHOOL BUILDING ERECTED IN OAKES



DR. H. P. BOARDMAN

Was a member of the board for six years, part of the time its president, and engineered the work of erecting both wings of the present building.

## The High School Faculty

THE faculty of a school has much to do with its advancement and success and with this in mind the board of education has selected a very able corps of educators, being specially fitted for their line of work:

PROF. E. W. ACKERT, superintendent of our schools, was born at Woosung, Ill., June 10, 1877; raised there and attended the high school, and later went to State Normal University where he completed a four-years' course; took a two years' course at Steinmann College and graduated with degree of B. Pd.; taught six years in Illinois and one year each at Blanchard and Grandin, this state; came to Oakes in Jan., 1902, to accept the principalship, succeeding R. L. Clute, resigned.

MISS ELIZABETH ANDREWS was born at Portadown, Ireland; came to this country in 1888 with her family and settled in Jamestown where her father was a minister; received her higher education at Lake Forest University, Illinois; came here to accept the principalship in 1906 and is serving her second year.

MISS LILLIE M. DENNING was born at Bloomington, Ill., and came to this country with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Denning, in 1883; attended the district schools until she reached the seventh grade when she entered the Oakes high school, from which she graduated with the class of 1896; entered Central high school in Minneapolis and graduated from that institution in 1899; took professional course in Mayville normal and graduated from there in 1904; has taught off and on for eight years; four terms in the district schools, two years in the Oakes high, and one year each at Hankinson and Fullerton; took charge here last fall as assistant principal, succeeding Miss Clara Bonesteel, who resigned.

MISS MINNIE M. EATON is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Eaton, living one mile east of the city, and was born at Beloit, Kansas; moved to near Iowa Falls, Iowa, when quite young and attended district school, later taking a course in the Iowa Falls high school; fitted herself for teacher at normal schools in Cedar Rapids and Des Moines; came with family to Oakes five years ago; taught first year in district school and the past four years has been in charge of the grammar department of city schools.



1 Miss Denning. 2 Miss Tousley. 3 Miss Payton. 4 Prof. Ackert. 5 Miss McCartney.  
6 Miss Eaton 7 Miss Andrews.

MISS ELLA F. PAYTON claims the good old state of Pennsylvania as the place of her birth; came west to Iowa with family, who settled at De Soto, and received her professional training in the Cedar Falls Normal; taught six years before coming here, four of which were in the intermediate department of the Truro high school; came here three years ago and took up the work of the fifth and sixth grades.

MISS RHODA C. McCARTNEY has Alta, Iowa, as her birthplace; moved to Kansas when quite young; graduated from Garden City, Kansas, high school in 1900, and from Kansas Agricultural College at Manhattan, Kan., in 1905; has been here during vacations for the past five years visiting her brother, H. C. McCartney and uncle, T. F. Marshall; taught last year in the Fullerton schools and entered upon her work in city schools here last September, in charge of the third and fourth grades.

MISS WINIFRED E. TOUSLEY was born at Cresco, Iowa, and came to Dickey county with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Tousley, who settled south of Ellendale; attended the district schools and later the high school of Ellendale; took normal training courses at Fremont, Neb., and Valley City, this state; taught several years in district schools, one year in state school at Ellendale and five years here; primary teacher two years.



THE FINE BLOCK OF THE CASH MERCANTILE COMPANY.

## The Business End of Oakes

OAKES is by far the best business point in this section of the country. It being a great railroad center, and surrounded by a rich farming community, and its many natural advantages, make it a place of much importance as a commercial center. It offers excellent opportunities for the wholesale trade, and some of our business men have launched into it in a small way. It only needs development to equal in this line

the cities of Fargo and Grand Forks. It has as good or better railroad facilities than either of the cities mentioned. The retail business is increasing rapidly, the excellent train service making this point very accessible to a large territory. The Times would like, had it the time, to cover the business section more fully, but will be able to give only a brief sketch of the firms and a few lines biography of each proprietor or manager:

THE CASH MERCANTILE COMPANY occupies its own steel-covered frame block, 50x100 feet. The building is of two stories with full basement and was erected in 1893. The ground floor is occupied by the store, which carries a full line of wearables of all kinds. On the upper floor and to the rear is the opera hall, or what is known as the Academy of Music, with full stage settings and gallery. This is the main place of amusement in the city, and is excellently fitted for dancing parties. In front on the second floor are the Bon Ton Dress-making Parlors, ably presided over by Mrs. M. Thompson. In the basement is located the furnace which supplies steam heat for both floors of the three brick buildings adjoining, as well as for the C. M. C. building. A sketch of the president and manager, E. W. Bittman, can be found on page 34.

FRED BITTMAN, who is largely interested in the firm, was born in March, 1848, at Akron, Ohio; educated in common schools; came to Oakes shortly after his brother; by trade a portrait painter; is a bachelor and rather enjoys the oddity.

Besides the two proprietors there are six clerks employed: E. D. Stitzel, the Misses Christine Petersen, Verna Moore, Bertina Bardsen, Cora McDonald and Mr. Martin Heron.



THE ROBERTS BLOCK

THE KLEIN & SUTMAR BLOCK is a brick structure, 75x100 feet, two stories with full basement. It was erected in 1904, and is equipped with all the modern conveniences that go to make up a first-class business block. The east fifty feet on the ground floor is occupied by the firm as a general merchandise store, and is as neatly equipped place as can be found west of the twin cities. No expense was spared to make it complete in every detail. Fine counter show cases with base trimmings of marble surround a shelving arrangement in oblong shape in the center of the large room and to the sides are the fine counters with same base trimmings and between the dry goods and grocery departments, overlooking all, is the manager's and bookkeeper's stand. The finish and counters are of hardwood. The building and furniture in this store cost over \$30,000. There are forty-one office and living rooms overhead, all occupied.

A. L. SUTMAR, the junior member of the firm, was born in St. Paul, Jan. 24, 1863; raised and educated there; studied in German school and then in Franklin high school; entered uncle's store as clerk when sixteen years of age and remained there until he came to Oakes in 1894; has large ranch interests southeast of Oakes; was alderman of city six years. (Sketch of A. F. Klein will be found on page 44.) Besides the proprietors the store employs six clerks: John Anderson, Wm. Taylor, Dwight Botts, Frank Starr; with Miss Anna Denning as bookkeeper and Miss Lena Bardsen as clerk in ladies' department.

THE ROBERTS BLOCK, shown on the preceding page in miniature, stands on the corner opposite, and is named after its builder, M. H. Roberts, who is now located at Joplin, Mo. The west 25 feet is occupied by The Corner Hardware, and is owned



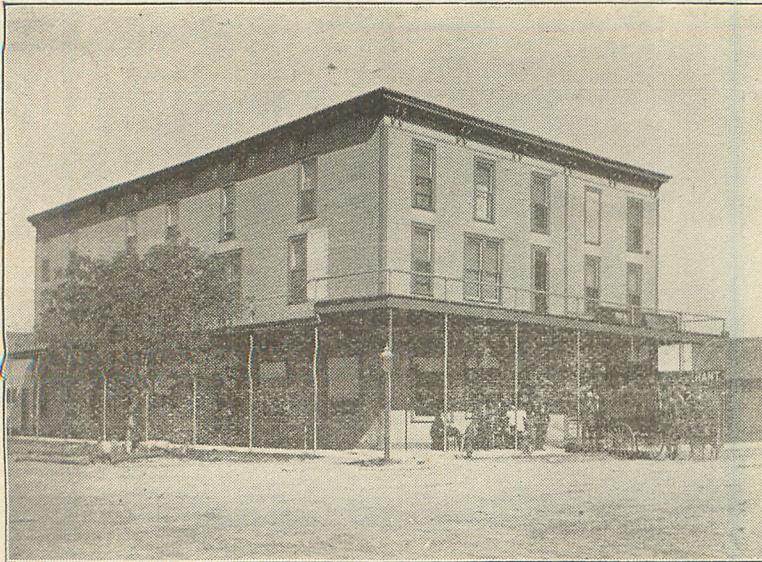
HOUR'S CATCH IN JIM RIVER

by E. J. Walton; the second 25 feet is occupied by J. H. Jesson and is owned by A. G. Ramharter; the east part is occupied by the Senate Cafe, and is owned by Gus. Strutz.

THE CORNER HARDWARE (a sketch of its owner, J. W. Bush, can be found on page 44, and an interior view on page 56) is 85 feet long, and has hardware store in front and tinning



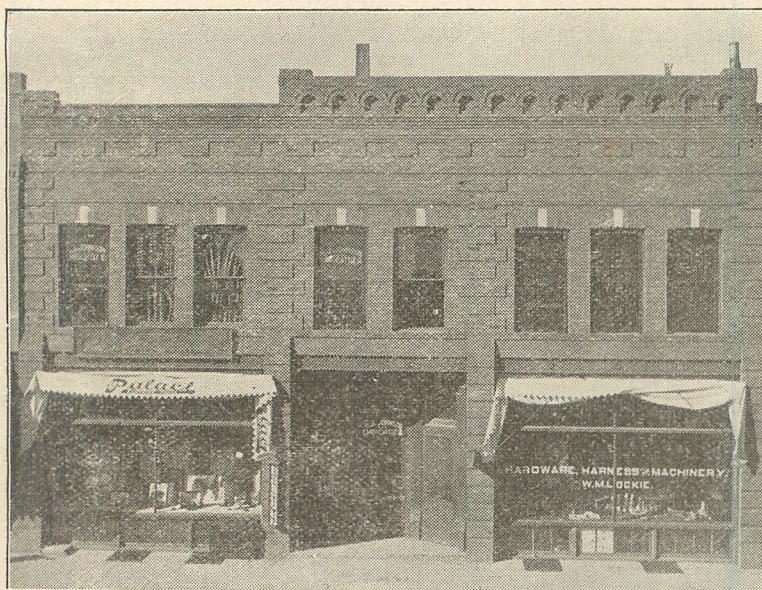
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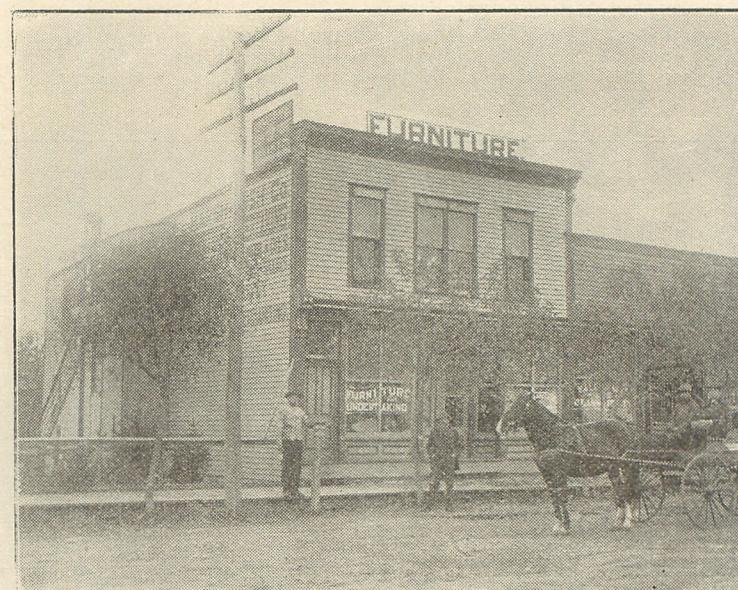
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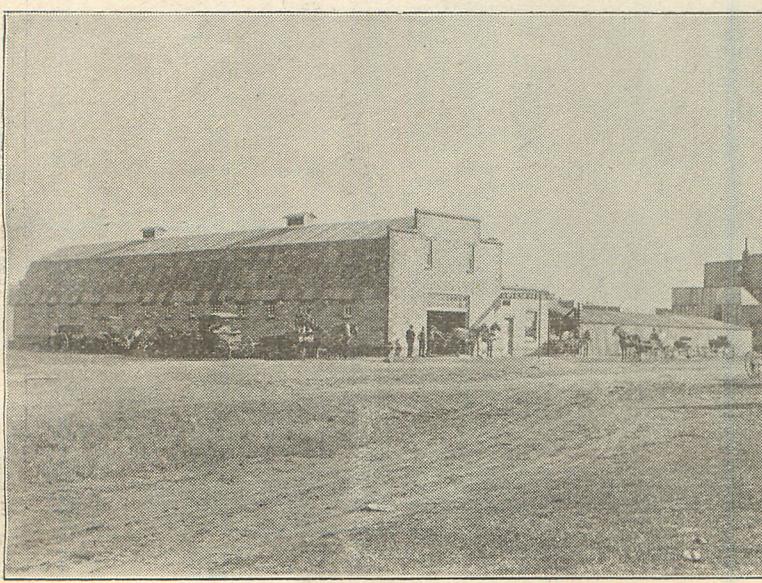
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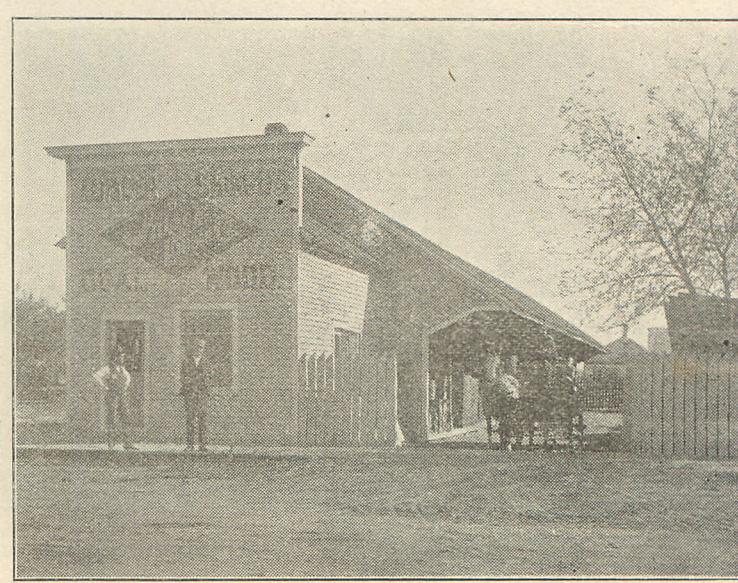
NICE BRICK BLOCK OF W. M. LOCKIE---FIFTY-FOOT FRONT



THE W. H. MARSH BLOCK ON SECOND STREET



HANDSOME CONCRETE LIVERY BARN OF TEAL & STANLEY



SECTIONAL VIEW OF YARDS OF SALZER LUMBER COMPANY

and repair shop in the rear. Living rooms are in upstairs of entire block. John Plummer is tinner; Frank Bush and Oscar Julke, assistants.

THE ECONOMY STORE is 60 feet long and is owned by J. H. Jesson who carries a stock of general merchandise. The employees are S. A. Reko, clerk; Miss Cora Wilson, trimmer.

J. H. JESSON was born in Denmark, Jan. 3, 1869; common education in schools of that country and at Northwood, Iowa; came to Iowa in 1884 and to North Dakota in 1889, settling in Richland county; married to Miss Kate M. Nurnberger, Sept. 25, 1891, and has four boys and one girl; moved to Wahpeton in 1902 and made that his home until this fall when he came to Oakes, having purchased The Economy Store; resides in Rapp residence on Third street.

THE SENATE CAFE, which occupies the east part of the Roberts block, came under the management of Porter & Brown in Sept., 1903; a year later the firm name was changed to W. T. Brown Co., when C. W. Snell assumed Porter's interest, and about a year ago W. T. Brown became sole proprietor.



W. T. BROWN

W. T. BROWN was born at Eaton Rapids, Mich., April 13, 1879; came to Dickey county with family when but four years of age and settled at Ellendale, where he attended the high school; taught school a number of terms; was knight of the grip several years; came to Oakes when he purchased interest in Senate Cafe; married to Miss Viola Snell, of Groton, S. D., in June, 1903; was city auditor eighteen months, which position he resigned last fall.

THE VINKLE HOUSE was built by Henry Vinkle, from whence it derives its name, nineteen years ago. It is a three-story frame structure, 50x98 feet, with half basement, and in the rear is a sample room 16x30 feet, one story. The building has of late years been modernized and has forty-five rooms for guests. O. H. Severson, is the proprietor. The east 25 feet of the street floor is occupied by the Hardy-Schoutz Drug Co. Cut page 48. O. H. SEVERSON was born at Bergen,

Norway, Sept. 2, 1856; came to this country with parents when nine years of age and settled in Vernon county, Wis., common school education; lived in Wisconsin fifteen years when he moved to Fillmore county, Minn., where he remained twenty years; married to Miss Anna K. Larson, Dec. 20, 1880, and has eleven children—six boys and five girls; came to North Dakota four years ago and settled at Nome, where he remained until last March, when he purchased The Vinkle.

R. L. HARDY, the resident proprietor of the Hardy-Schoutz Drug Company, was born in Davis county, Iowa, Sept. 20, 1869; raised there; graduated from high school at Bloomfield; also took course at Southern Iowa Normal school at Bloomfield; attended State University at Iowa City and graduated in law department; married to Miss Bertha Allen in Chicago, Oct. 9, 1896, and has one daughter; came to North Dakota one year ago last June and has established drug stores at Oakes, Kulm, Lehr, Bismarck, Edgeley, Berlin, Driscoll, Glen Ulin, De Lamere and Gwinner; is a registered pharmacist. Clayton A. Willett is in charge of the business in Oakes.

HOTEL HOME is a steel covered structure, 48x82 feet, three stories above ground and full basement. It was the old Exchange Hotel, when the present manager took possession in June, 1902. Since then it has been building on each year until it has become a modern and up-to-date hostelry. It is steam heated and gas lighted throughout; has 41 sleeping rooms and two large sample rooms. C. M. Stevens is proprietor; Jim Hill, day clerk, Nels Neirson, night clerk. There are nine employees. Cut on page 48.

C. M. STEVENS was born at Elbridge, N. Y., Sept. 11, 1845; came to Michigan when nine years old and attended Lowell high school; married to Miss Carrie A. Hawkins at Cadillac, Mich., Sept. 14, 1876; has four sons and three daughters; came to Sioux Falls, S. D. in 1876, but returned to Michigan year later and railroaded on G. R. & I. railroad for four years; returned to Dakota in spring of 1883 and spent two months at Tower City, coming to Dickey county on May 22, 1883; owns 520 acre farm in Clement township, where he homesteaded, which is run by sons, Burton and James.

THE ARGYLE HOTEL is a frame structure 50x75 feet, two stories, with basement. It has been remodeled and modernized the past few years and is run by W. D. Huffman, who is sole owner. It was built by Hemenway & White, fourteen years ago, or one year after the destruction of the old Argyle on Second street by fire. Has 22 sleeping rooms, all



"Jimmy" Huffman mounted to race with "Old Man" in his Franklin touring car

steam heated, and a barber shop in connection owned by H. Christofferson. There are seven employees.

W. D. HUFFMAN was born in Sandusky county, Ohio, Feb. 25, 1869, raised and educated at Martin, Ohio, and in schools of this county; came to Dickey county with family in 1882 and settled on farm near Ludden; married to Miss Agnes Bennett, March, 15, 1892, and has two sons, Joseph and Emery; came to Oakes in 1899; took charge of hotel five years ago; is present deputy sheriff.

H. CHRISTOFFERSON was born in Denmark, March 11, 1865; came to this country when nine years old and settled at Omaha; attended high school in Council Bluffs, Iowa; married to Miss Cordela Wolsey in October, 1897; has two boys and two girls; came to Oakes three months ago, having purchased Argyle barber shop. Wm. Malchow is his assistant.

THE LOCKIE BLOCK is a fine brick structure of two stories, 50x85 feet, with half basement. It was erected in 1903, is heated by steam, and has all the modern conveniences. W. M. Lockie, the proprietor, occupies the east half of the ground floor with his hardware, shoes, cobbling and harness departments, and the west half is the home of the Palace Clothing House; A. J. Bunker has the basement for his plumbing shop, and upstairs in front are the officers of H. J. Johnson Land & Cattle Company and W. S. Wickersham, attorney. The rear part is used by Mr. Lockie as a warehouse for part of his farm implements.

W. M. LOCKIE was born in Howard county, Iowa, Jan. 12, 1860; remained there until attaining his majority; attended district schools and Cresco high school; came to Dakota in 1882; first settled at Casselton, but came to Dickey county in 1883 and went to farming; married to Miss May E., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Bingham, nineteen years ago, and has six children—three girls and three boys; came to Oakes in 1891 and succeeded Scott & Root in farm implement business; owns farm of 1,280 acres east of Oakes, and has fine residence in city; was alderman of city two terms.

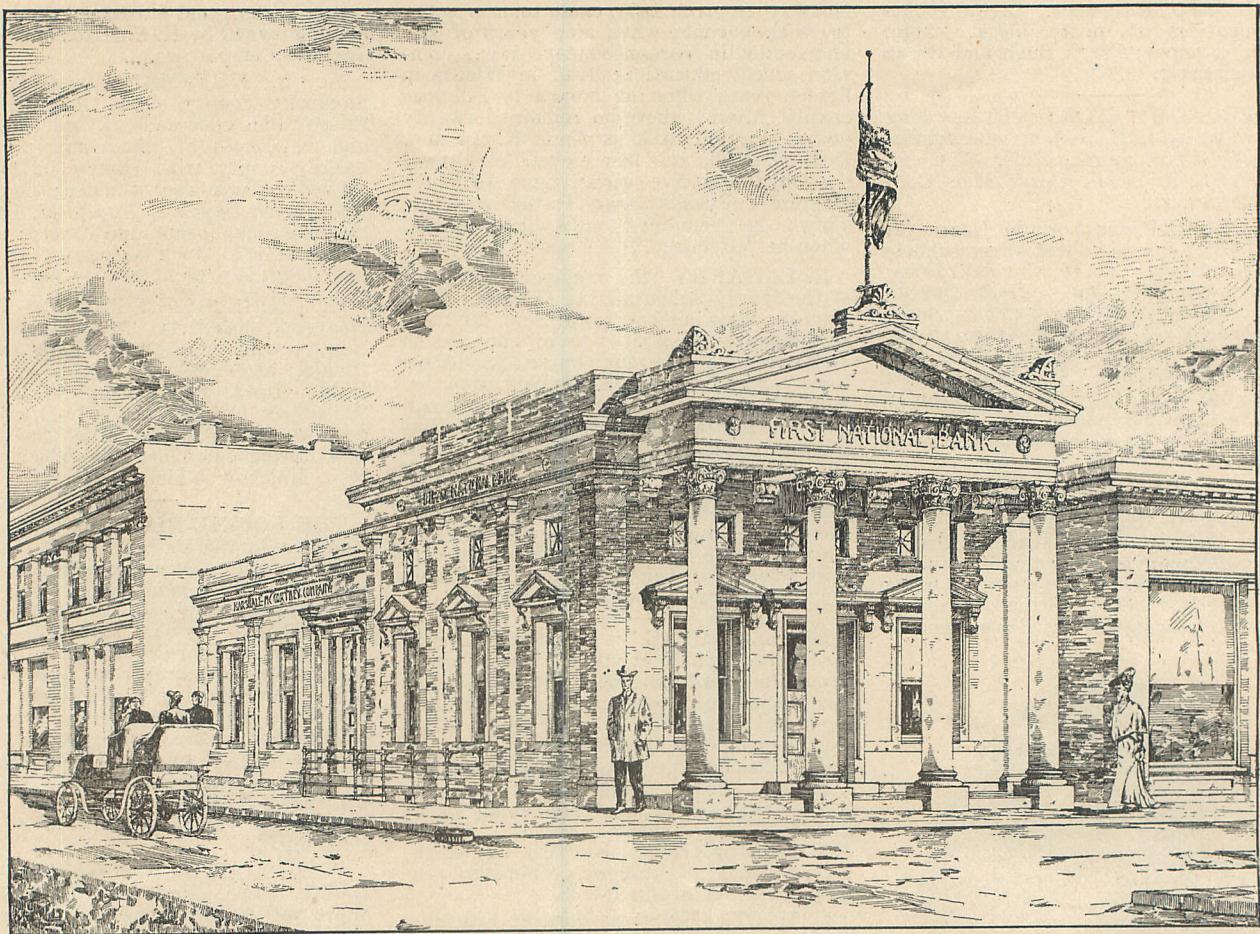
Henry Sudmeier is harnessmaker; Erick Renning, cobbler, and S. B. Kessler, clerk.

THE PALACE CLOTHING HOUSE is one of three stores owned by the Friedmans. Saul conducts the business at Oakes, William at Three Rivers, Mich., and Alexander at Mendon, Mich. Last fall The Palace increased its floor space by the addition of twenty-five feet to the rear and added a line of shoes.

SAUL FRIEDMAN was born in Germany, May 21, 1865; was raised there and educated in common schools; came to this country in 1881, and settled in Michigan; has been manager of business here since inception nearly three years ago; unmarried. Arthur Bingham is his assistant.

THE H. J. JOHNSON LAND & CATTLE COMPANY has H. J. Johnson as its main spoke. This company does a general land business and the past two years has been interested in full-blooded Hereford cattle. The barns and pasture are located one-half mile west of the city on the banks of the Jim. H. J. Johnson is manager; J. D. Scott, secretary; O. P. Emmons, D. L. Stevens and Ed. Ferris, traveling agents.

H. J. JOHNSON was born in Denmark, Aug. 23, 1873; came to this country when



T. F. MARSHAL, PRESIDENT.  
H. C. MC CARTNEY, CASHIER.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK  
OAKES, N.D.

M. E. BEEBE, ARCHITECT.  
FARGO, N.D.

quite young and settled in Minnesota; higher education at Sauk Center Academy and graduated from business college in 1895; came to Oakes in spring of 1898; owns several good lots in city and is interested extensively in real estate; unmarried.

THE STAR LAND COMPANY began business as an organization in 1902. It has been doing a very active business and has been instrumental in bringing in many desirable settlers, who are well pleased with their investment. At the beginning of this year it incorporated with a capital of \$50,000, and has as its organizers and officials: C. A. Malander, president; R. A. Middaugh, vice president and treasurer; E. W. Weston, secretary and notary public. C. D. Holmes is employed as stenographer. View of office building can be seen on page 47.

C. A. MALANDER was born at Boone, Iowa, April 24, 1865; raised there and educated in district schools; married to Miss Ethel Coburn, at St. James, Minn., May, 1904; came to Oakes at beginning of 1902; owns fine residence, cut of which may be seen on page 38.

R. A. MIDDAUGH is son of Mrs. M. Middaugh, of this city, and was born in Jackson county, Minn., Feb. 22, 1872; raised there and attended the Jackson city schools; had three years at business institute at Wilder from which he graduated in 1892; came to Oakes March 17, 1902; married to Miss Anna Hurlbert, a compositor in The Times office, in Oct., 1904, and

has one son; is present chief of city fire department.

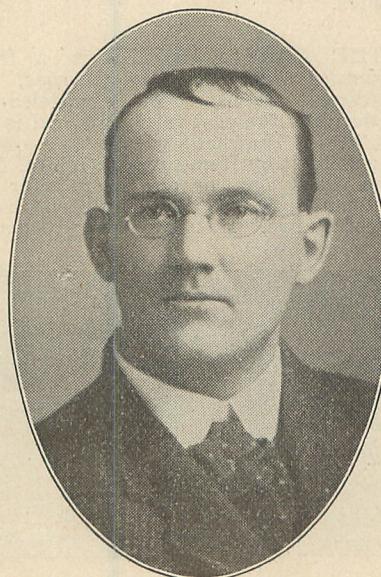
E. W. WESTON was born near Buffalo, N. Y., May 10, 1860, where he was raised and educated; came to Dakota, April 30, 1883, and homesteaded quarter section of land in Hudson township; founded and

conducted Oakes Independent; was alderman of city two terms, and served two terms as police magistrate.

W. S. WICKERSHAM (personal sketch and picture on page 44) has been a practicing attorney since 1895; received higher education in Western College, Toledo, Iowa; studied law in offices at Harlan, Iowa; passed examination to practice before supreme courts of Iowa and Nebraska; opened first law office at Bancroft, Neb., in 1895; practiced two years in Nebraska four years in Iowa; admitted to practice in U. S. district court at Council Bluffs, Iowa, in 1898; came to Oakes in 1901.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK, now in course of construction, is a splendid building,  $25\frac{1}{2} \times 78\frac{1}{2}$  in dimensions, of one very high story and full basement. It is built of Roman pressed brick, heavily trimmed with Bedford stone. In front and facing the main street is a portico supported by four Corinthian columns of Bedford stone. The front part will be occupied by the banking house proper, and the rear part by the Marshall-McCartney Company, which has the same officers. Entrance can be made to the officers' rooms from the main lobby as well as from Second street. The floors will be finished with mosaic tile, the furniture of mahogany and the counters of marble and iron. The cost of the building, with furniture, will exceed \$15,000.

The business of the bank is conducted for the present in the old building, which



R. A. MIDDAUGH.

has been moved to the rear of the lot. The officers of the bank are Thomas F. Marshall, president; H. Clay McCartney, cashier; Charles A. Newton, assistant cashier. A. N. Truedson is stenographer, and Niles Bong, bookkeeper.

THOMAS F. MARSHALL (picture and sketch on page 22) was one of the organizers of the bank and its first cashier; married to Miss Eva E. Grigsby, Dec. 4, 1878, at Missouri Valley, Iowa; W. E. Grigsby (her father) spends most of time now with his daughter; adopted Elmer B. McCartney, their nephew, who is now attending Columbia University, New York City; also home of Miss Rhoda McCartney; is our most prominent and leading citizen; has very fine home at corner Fifth and Elm streets, which has now cost over \$15,000; modern improvements throughout; including gasoline lighting plant and gas plant for heating and cooking; interior finished with wainscoting and oak beam ceilings; billiard hall in basement; maintains good stable, which will hold nine head of horses, six carriages and one auto. (Cut on page 38)

H. C. MCCARTNEY (cut and sketch, page 35) is active manager of the bank as well as of the Marshall-McCartney Company; is trustee of the State Manual Training School at Ellendale; Republican state committeeman from Dickey county; an intense enthusiast of the auto and sports a twenty-horse car of the Stevens-Duryea make; cut of home on page 37; plays tennis but needs a good backstop, as will be noted from screens in picture almost as high as the residence.

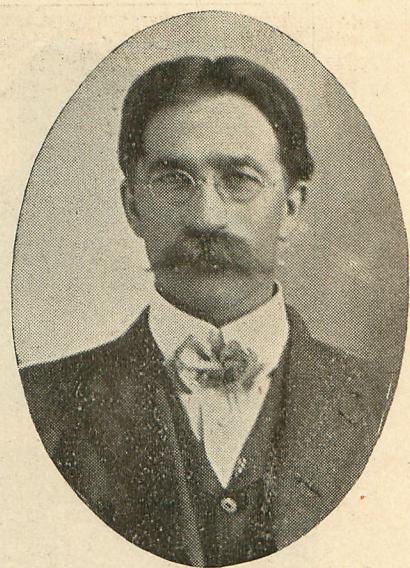
CHARLES A. NEWTON was born at Baldwin, Wis., March 12, 1877; came to

Dickey county with parents, who settled on farm near Monango in 1883; educated in district schools and high school of Ellendale; married Miss Nellie Whelan, of Ellendale, Jan. 9, 1903, and has one daughter; employed in Citizens State Bank at Ellendale four years; one year in Union National at Grand Forks; came here Oct. 6, 1902, to accept position in First National; is city treasurer.

THE MARSHALL - MCCARTNEY COMPANY has offices in the rear of the bank and handles farm lands, live stock and grain. It was organized Nov. 9, 1902, and has as its officers: Thomas F. Marshall, president; H. C. McCartney, secretary.

THE OAKES MACHINE COMPANY has its one-story frame building, 24x90 feet, at the corner of First and Elm streets. Is known as the "Oakes auto hospital." The front part is 38 feet long, and is used for office and machine shop. In it are two lathes, planer, drill, engine, emery grinder, etc., while to the rear is the blacksmith shop. It manufactures plows of its own patent, and last summer built two steam gangs, with a capacity of six 20-inch plows. In the boiler-repairing season it employs six men, but at this season has only two: E. Paulson and his son, John. P. J. Aasen is the proprietor.

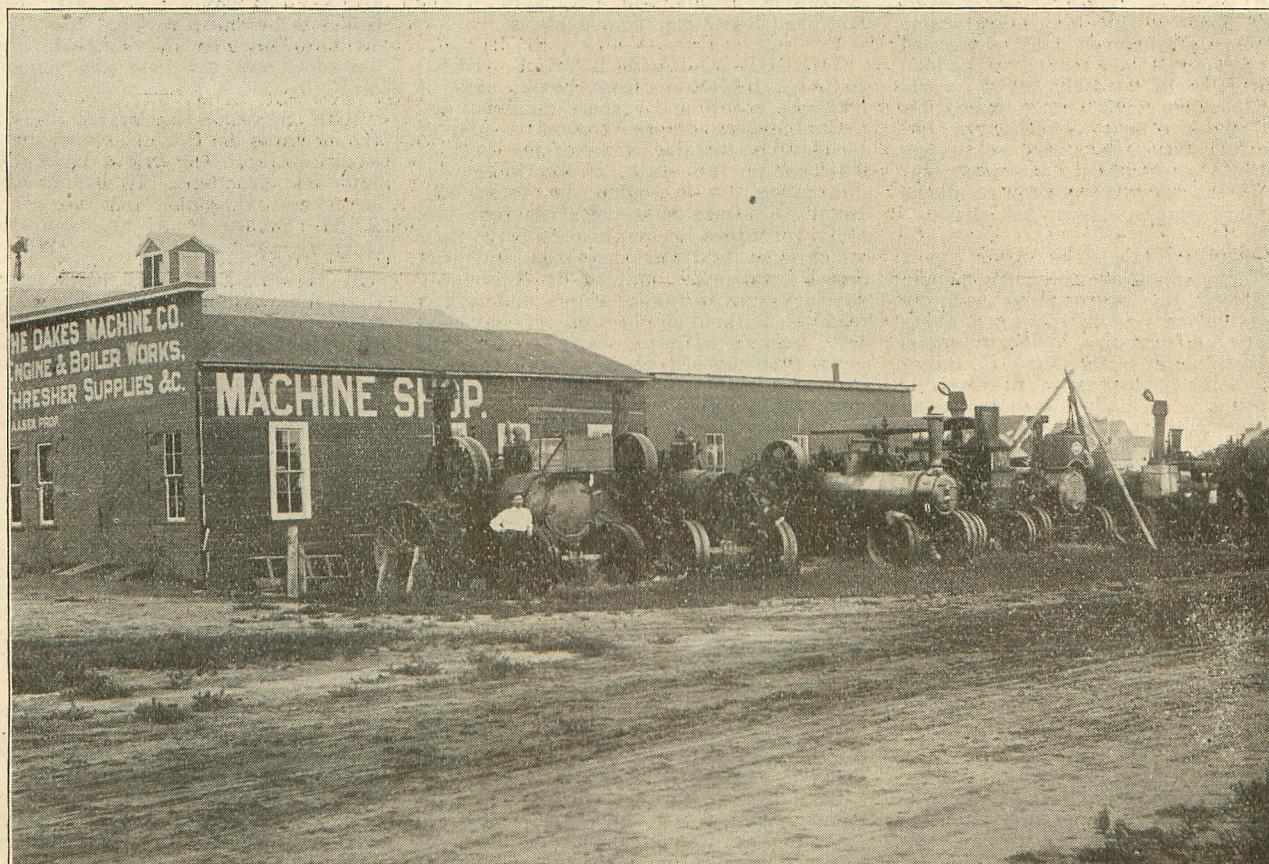
P. J. AASEN was born in Douglas county, Minn., Jan. 12, 1871; educated in district school and is a graduate of the normal at Madison, Minn.; came to Oakes in 1889 and built machine shop same year; married to Miss Carrie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mons Nelson, Dec. 20, 1905; owns nice residence on north Third street.



P. J. AASEN

THE SECOND STREET FURNITURE STORE is owned by W. H. Marsh. The building is 48x84 feet, two stories, with half basement. In the front part of the ground floor is the furniture store; to the rear is the repair, paint shop and office, and upstairs are tenement rooms.

W. H. MARSH was born April 2, 1843, at Prince Albert, Ontario, Canada; educated there in common schools; married to Miss Hannah Bell, Dec. 24, 1866, who died in 1879, leaving two children,



THE HOME OF THE OAKES MACHINE COMPANY



BUILDINGS OF THE OAKES MILL COMPANY

Henry Marsh, and Minnie (now Mrs. W. H. Bush); married again to Miss Hester Mary Hurd, Dec. 29, 1880, who died April 14, 1902; remarried to present wife, Mrs. Marsha Hall, May 4, 1904; came to Columbia, Dakota, in 1883; remained there three years, then moved to Ludden where he followed farming seven years; came to Oakes in 1893 and followed his trade of painter and paperhanger exclusively for seven years; six years ago launched into the furniture business; was city justice one term; owns good residence back of store which faces on Ash street.

THE OAKES MILL COMPANY has a manufacturing plant of which the people of Oakes and the surrounding country have a just pride. It is managed along progressive lines and on a strong financial basis. It was built in 1895 by J. H. Rapp, with a capacity of turning out fifty barrels of flour per day. This has been increased to one hundred fifty barrels per day under the present management, which consists of C. P. Walton, president and treasurer; Dr. H. E. Perrin, vice president; Mrs. C. P. Walton, secretary. Dr. Perrin resides at Star Prairie, Wis. The size of the main building is 32x58 of three stories; an office and warehouse 18x42; engine room 26x32 and warehouse 30x40, all one story. Two years ago the mill erected a 20,000-bushel capacity elevator, which is run by Fred Knock. The mill and elevator have taken in between 65,000 and 70,000 bushels of wheat from this year's crop.

C. P. WALTON (picture and personal sketch may be found on page 34.)

FRED KNOCK was born at Leeds, England, April 11, 1875, where he was raised and educated; came to Canada in spring of '95 and to Oakes in spring of '97; married to Miss Annie Pilkington in Feb., 1903; owns residence on Third street.

Besides the manager and wheatbuyer

this institution has seven other employees, being: Elmer and E. S. Forney, millers; W. E. McDaniel, floor manager; Lars Wold and Tom Johnson, engineers; Henry and Fred Boethling, flour packers.

THE UP-TO-DATE LIVERY, FEED & SALE BARN is a large block, built of concrete stone, and corners on First and Cedar Streets, where it owns a quarter block. The building is one of the best of its kind in the state, is 32x130 feet in dimensions, with office in front end, 16x24. Contains 24 stalls, with four box stalls for infirm horses; has concrete floor which is so laid that seepings find way directly to sewer making it thoroughly sanitary; roof is gambrel shape and loft is capable of holding 75 tons of hay and 4,000 bushels of oats. Outside is a feed yard, with covered sheds, where farmers can drive in their teams and feed without unhitching, and to the rear of this yard is a large corral. The place is known as the "horse hospital," and is owned and run by Teal & Stanley. A cut of the building and shed front may be seen on page 48.

S. W. TEAL was born at Belleville, Ontario, Canada, March 16, 1855; raised there and received common school education; learned profession of veterinary; came to Dixon, Ill., in 1879, where he was married to Miss Jennie Haight, and to this union was born one son; came to Dakota in 1880 and settled at Grand Forks; moved to Oakes in 1889; remarried to Miss Ninette Holborn, May 12, 1894, and by this marriage has two sons; is present state district veterinarian, a position he has held the past eight years.

GEO. J. STANLEY was born in Calumet county, Wis., Aug. 15, 1874; came to Dakota with family when nine years of age and settled on farm thirteen miles southeast of Oakes; attended Oakes high school and took commercial course in Red

River Valley University, located at Wahpeton; married at Wahpeton, Sept. 26, 1900, to Miss Gertrude E. Matthews, and has one boy and one girl; came to Oakes to become a resident Nov. 15, 1904; owns residence on Third street, which he has added onto this year and remodeled.

THE SALZER LUMBER COMPANY has its yards on Second street, where it owns and occupies half a block, lacking fifty feet frontage. The yards were enlarged and new sheds built two years ago. T. H. Ferber is agent, and W. W. Denning, yard man.

T. H. FERBER was born in Berlin, Germany, on Sept. 2, 1877; came to this country with family when four years of age and settled in Wisconsin; came to Milbank, Dakota, where he attended the high school; married to Miss Sara E. O'Connor, June 25, 1901, and has one son; came to North Dakota five years ago; was four years at Edgeley, and came here a year ago to accept position with the Salzer Lumber Company.

HARRIS DRUG STORE is named after its proprietor, S. L. Harris. The building is next to the First National Bank and is a one-story frame structure, 20x80 feet and besides a line of drugs runs a soda fountain, and also handles cigars, notions and stationery.

S. L. HARRIS was born in Milwaukee, Wis., June 25, 1848; raised and educated in Adams county, Wis.; married to Miss Nettie M. Dunn, March 19, 1876, and has two daughters, Mrs. B. E. Ryder and Mrs. W. H. Boyd; came to Wahpeton in 1888 and to Oakes in 1890; has been in drug business here continuously since. His son-in-law, W. H. Boyd, is employed as clerk.

THE NORTH AMERICAN STORAGE COMPANY, the greatest institution of its kind in the country, has greatly increased the capacity of the creamery since taking hold here two years ago last May. The head office is at Paynesville, Minn., and it owns and operates branch houses at Oakes, Kulm and Lehr, in this state; Aberdeen and Watertown, S. D.; and Alexandria, Sauk Center and Willmar, Minn. The buildings here are located nicely on the crown of the knoll between here and the Jim river, have connections with the sewer; everything is thoroughly sanitary. Last year the company added a cold storage room with a capacity for six carloads of butter, and an ice house adjoining that will hold 200 tons of ice. Over \$7,000 have been expended in buildings and new machinery in the past two years. There are two churns of 500 pounds capacity each and as high as fourteen churning have been made in one day. To give an idea of the amount of butter and eggs handled at this point, we submit the following figures on creamery and dairy butter and eggs as shown by the company's books for the past six months:

	Creamery lbs	Dairy lbs	Eggs cases
May.....	44,027	56,784	2,884
June.....	86,528	103,011	1,981
July.....	98,596	142,555	1,332
Aug.....	90,149	74,967	860
Sept.....	76,074	64,013	801
Oct.....	51,385	32,307	275
Total.....	446,759	473,637	9,133

The average price paid for butter fat during the six months mentioned was: May 17c, June 17c, July 17c, August 19c, September 22c, October 22c. This is undoubtedly the highest price paid for butter

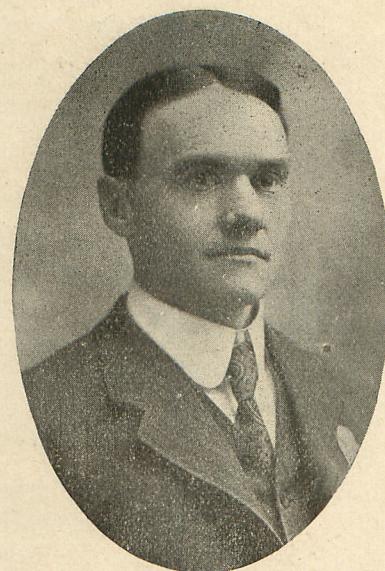
fat in this state during the summer in the past five years.

The officers of the company are: A. M. Johnson, president and treasurer; F. R. Noonan, secretary and manager; Anson Evans, assistant treasurer. M. J. Caspers is auditor of the Dakota branches and has headquarters at Oakes. A. F. Clow is local stenographer and bookkeeper.

M. J. CASPERS was born in Scott county, Minn., June 24, 1866; moved to Lakeville, Minn., when seven years of age where he attended district school; finished education at St. John's University, St. Cloud; came to Oakes, Aug. 11, 1905, to take charge of branch houses in this territory.

THE KENNEDY BLOCK is a brick structure, 25x85 feet, two stories, with full basement. Was built this year at an expense, including heating plant, of \$8,000. John Kennedy, the proprietor, occupies the basement in front with his barber shop; The Point occupies the street floor and the rear rooms upstairs; Dr. Gale has his dental parlors in the front rooms of the upper story. Building is modern in every particular. A cut of front may be seen on page 53.

JOHN KENNEDY was born at Garvagh, County of Derry, Ireland, Nov. 12, 1852; came to this country with family when but nine years of age and settled in St. Lawrence county, New York, where raised and educated; attended high school at Waddington; married Sept. 5, 1875, to Miss Lucy Gray, who died fourteen years ago last July, leaving one son and three daughters; was at Rantoul, Ill., two years; at Perham, Minn., six years; came to Dakota and settled at Jamestown, 1886, and to Oakes in June, 1888; has been in barber business since 1880; married second time to Miss Annie Curran in early nineties



C. L. MARSHALL

and by this marriage has one son; served one term as alderman of city; was representative one term to the state legislature, which convened in 1899; has a four-chair barber shop, the most neatly appointed in state, with bath rooms in connection; owns good residence on Fourth street. Herbert J. Kennedy, son of the proprietor, and Ernie Robinson are the present employees.

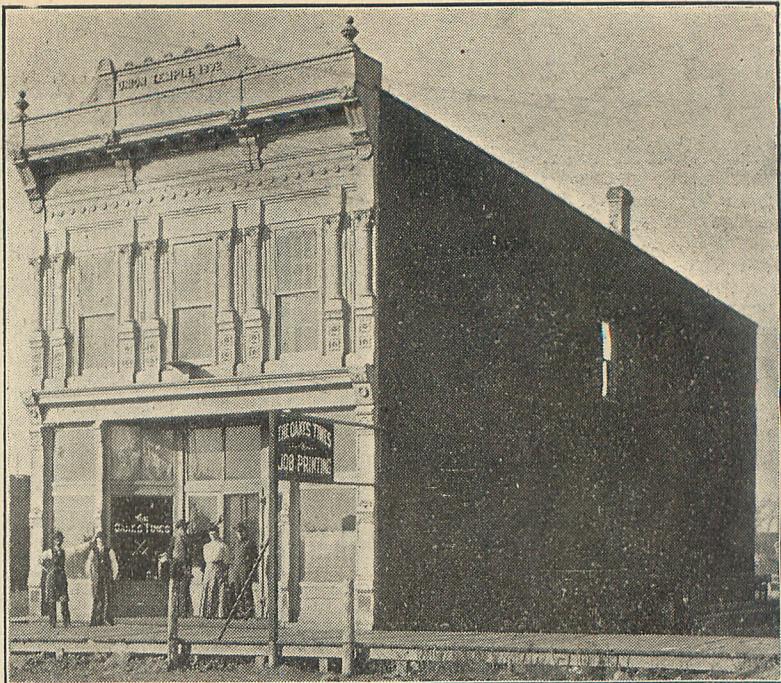
THE POINT is owned by C. L. Marshall, and is exquisitely appointed in every particular. The front room is fitted for the service of hot and cold soft drinks, and has cigar, confectionery and news counters. In connection are billiard and



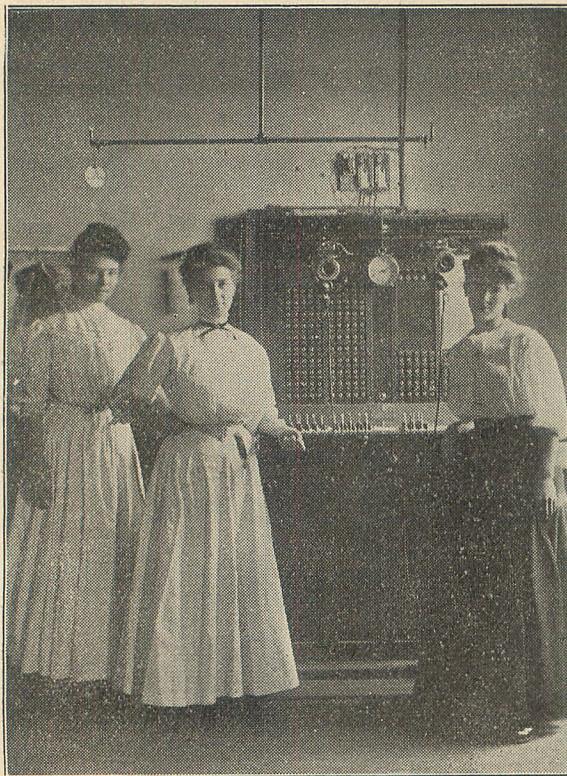
PLANT OF THE NORTH AMERICAN STORAGE COMPANY



FINE NEW KENNEDY BRICK BLOCK



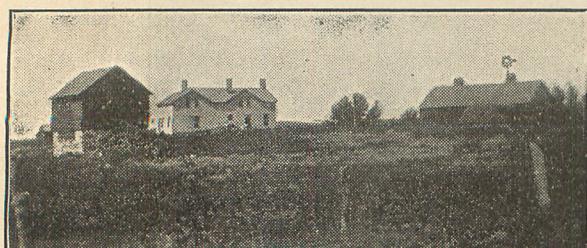
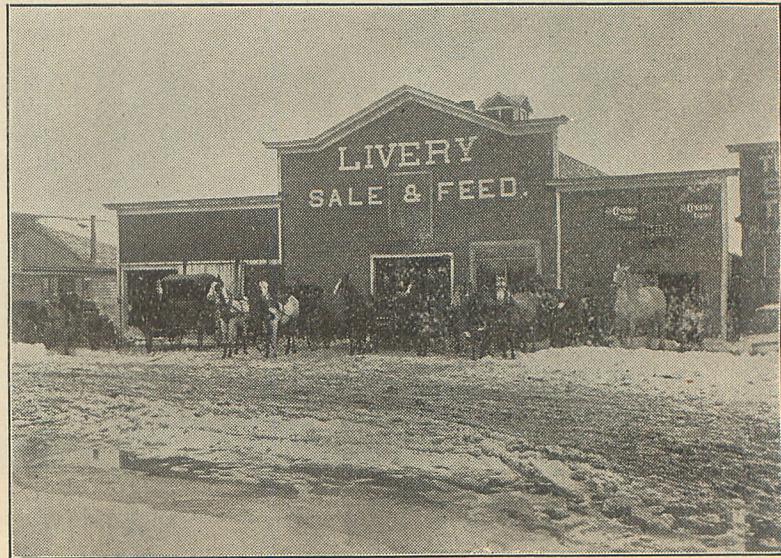
HOME OF THE OAKES TIMES



May McDermott      Florence Shabino      Pearl Tyrrell  
"HELLO GIRLS" OF LOCAL TELEPHONE EXCHANGE



BUSY CORNER ON NORTH THIRD STREET



BUILDINGS ON T. R. SHIMMIN RANCH IN COTEAU

LIVERY BARN OF W. J. ROBERTS



E. J. WALTON was born at Easton, Wis., June 18, 1878; raised and educated at Easton; came to Dickey county in 1893, and graduated from high school of Ellendale in class of '97; came to Oakes in 1897 to accept position in Bank of Oakes (now First National); married to Miss Myrtle Splan, Feb. 19, 1902; cashier of Oakes National Bank, which he assisted in organizing in 1903, and the past year has been its vice president; owns pretty home on south Second street, cut of which appears on page 37.

J. E. BUNDAY was born at Northfield, Minn., Feb. 23, 1866; came to Brookings, S. D., with parents when thirteen years of age; resided there until he came to Oakes in 1897 to accept position as agent for Atlas Elevator Co.; was cashier of Gwinner State Bank one year, prior to his taking the cashiership of the Oakes National Bank first of 1906.

THE DAKOTA CENTRAL TELEPHONE COMPANY has its offices in a very neat suite of rooms on the second

floor of the Klein & Sutmar block. H. V. Hemenway is local manager and has charge of all the lines of the company in North Dakota. The picture of the "hello girls," with their names may be found on page 54.

H. V. HEMENWAY was born at Freeport, Ill., Aug. 21, 1863; raised there and at Lansing, Iowa; attended state normal at Cedar Falls; moved to South Dakota in 1893 and was at Woonsocket and Aberdeen, later going to Minneapolis; came to Oakes in 1901 and has been manager of lines here the past four years; is son of A. G. Hemenway, who built Argyle Hotel.

THE OAKES LUMBER COMPANY was started last year by Murray Bros.—William, Edward and Richard. It owns a block of ground just north of the flour mill, and has made improvements on the property the past year of over \$4,000. This includes lumber and coal sheds and office, residence, barn and engine house.

The brothers are in partnership. Each was born at Ashburnham, Mass.; came to Wisconsin together in 1869 and settled in

club rooms. The place is the recognized center of amusement of the city.

C. L. MARSHALL was born at Platteville, Wis., Oct. 21, 1869; came to Turner county, S. D., in 1873; educated in public schools of Parker and Yankton, and took course in Yankton College; came to Oakes, Feb., 1901, to take charge of H. H. H., which he and his brother, T. F. Marshall, owned; ran that hardware store for three years and one year later started The Point.

DR. M. E. GALE, the dentist, was born at Beatrice, Neb., Aug. 11, 1874; raised there and educated in high school; took dental course in Northwestern Dental College, Chicago, and graduated from that institution in 1904; has practiced dentistry in this state since leaving college; located in Oakes last April, succeeding Dr. M. O. Hunter.

THE OAKES NATIONAL BANK is a two-story brick structure, 25x60 feet with full basement. It was built in 1903; is neatly fitted and furnished throughout. The furniture is of birch, mahogany finish, and the walls and counters are lined with marble bases. The floor of the lobby which surrounds the banking house proper opens into the rear room, where are located the president's and customers' rooms. The floor of the lobby is of checkered tiling and the balance is of hard maple. H. S. Nichols is president; E. J. Walton, vice president; J. E. Bunday, cashier.

H. S. NICHOLS was born at Waukon, Iowa, Jan. 23, 1856; raised there and educated in Waukon high school; came to Dakota in spring of 1883 and had fine farm three miles west of Oakes until three years ago when he sold it; married to Miss Rose Hutsinpiller in 1890, who died in 1897 leaving one son and one daughter; remarried to Miss Bessie Sipe in fall of 1901; clerk of district court two terms; moved to Oakes in 1903; has fine home on Third street; cut may be seen on page 38.

**THE  
OAKES NATIONAL  
BANK  
OAKES, N. D.**

Commenced Business October 12th, 1903

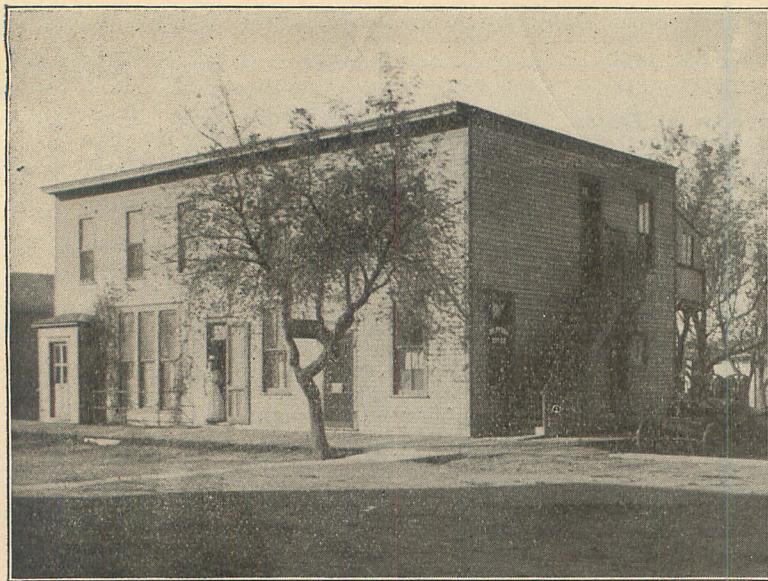
Report of Condition October 12th, 1906

**Its Third Anniversary**

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Deposits and Investments	347,443.25	Capital and Surplus	5,291,961.99
Notes and Demand and Deposit	24,549.80	Reserve and Undivided Profits	2,628.45
Accrued Interest on Investments	1,340.25	Deposits	21,600.00
Accrued Interest on Loans	1,396.25		16,295.75
	345,344.30		5,275,812.35

Comparative Statement Showing Increase in Deposits

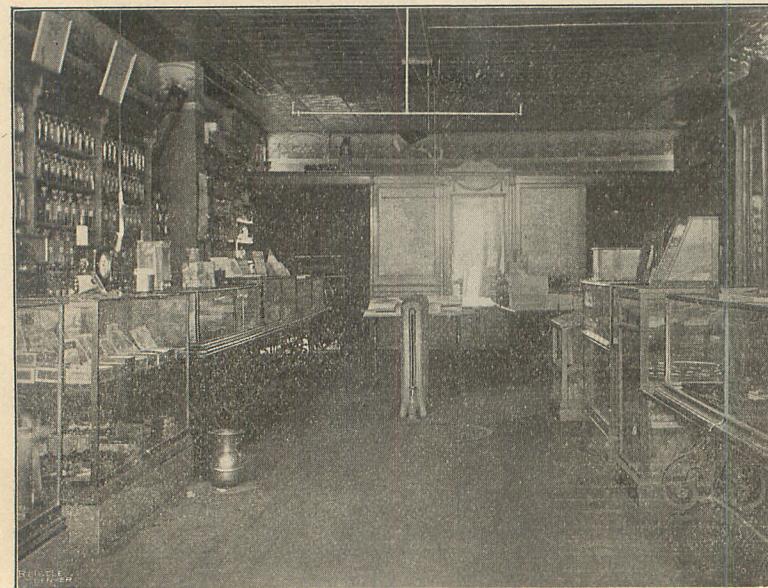
December 12th, 1903	\$ 10,029.43	December 12th, 1905	\$ 22,665.01
December 12th, 1904	64,012.21	December 12th, 1906	153,985.91



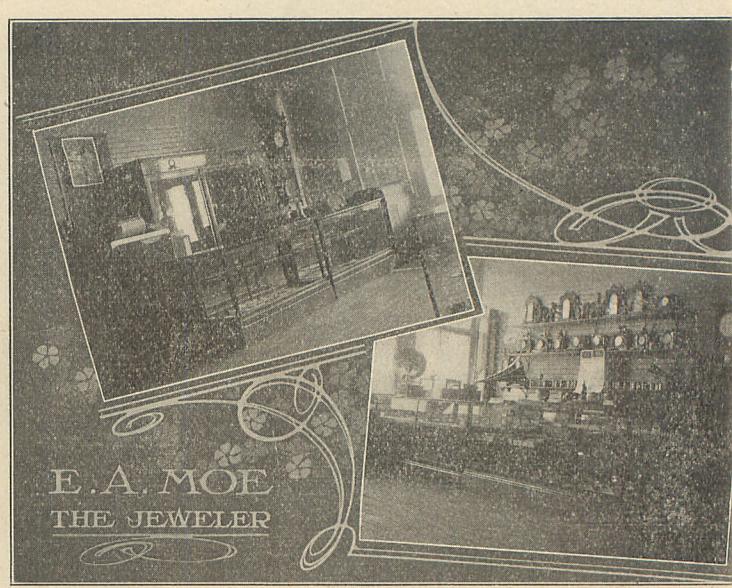
PRIVATE HOSPITAL OF DR. B. E. RYDER



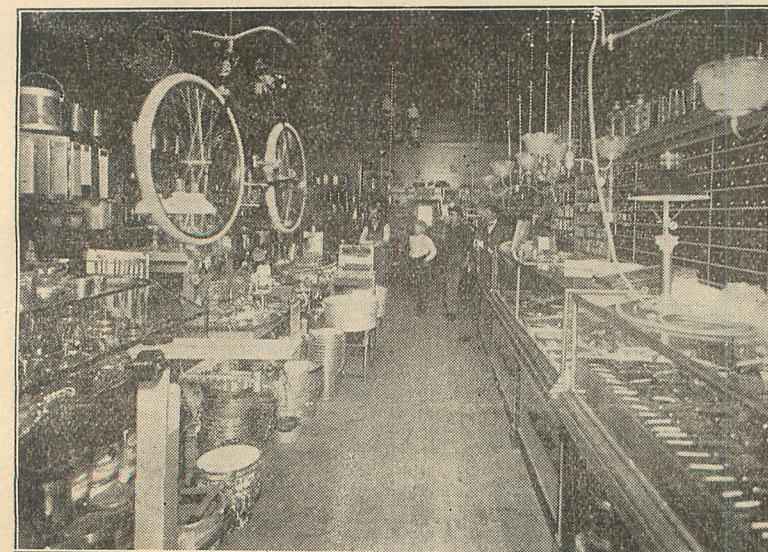
INTERIOR VIEW OF WHITFIELD PHOTOGRAPH GALLERY



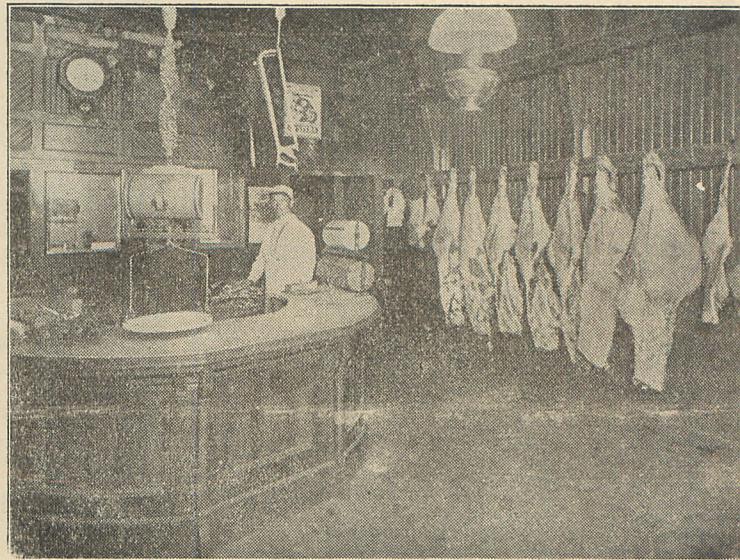
INTERIOR VIEW OF YOUNG'S DRUG STORE



INTERIOR VIEWS MOE'S JEWELRY STORE



INSIDE OF BUSH'S HARDWARE STORE



A LOOK INTO STRAUB'S MEAT MARKET



DR. B. E. RYDER

Dane county; each attended the Albion Academy at Milton, Wis.; came to Dakota in 1883 and took up land in Hudson township, where they still own farm of 1,600 acres; William is the oldest, being 55 years of age; Edward next at 45 years and Richard the younger.

UNION TEMPLE is a steel-covered building, 25x85 feet, two stories, with half basement. It was built in 1892 by a stock company, but a few years later the shares were taken up by the Masonic, Odd Fellows and Workmen lodges, which own it jointly. The street floor and basement is the home of The Oakes Times and the top floor is the home of the secret societies of the city.

THE OAKES TIMES is a continuation of the Oakes Republican. (A history of the paper may be found on page 27.) It has a fine battery of presses—a Babcock "Standard" cylinder, capable of taking a sheet 30x44, with an Eclipse folder attached; a Babcock "Regular" cylinder, with bed 22x27; two job presses of the Chandler & Price make; Challenge paper cutter, 30-inch; Monitor power wire stitcher for binding books; 20-inch foot perforator; a Kansas City gasoline engine, and everything else that is needed in a first-class country printing office. Heated by steam and lighted with gas. Alex. R. Wright is proprietor and publisher; J. H. Nagel, foreman; Carl Myhre and Bert Wade, ad. and job men; Misses Edna M. Green and Frances H. Hurlbert, compositors.

ALEX. R. WRIGHT was born near Ballymena, Ireland, Feb. 27, 1873; raised there and educated in

national schools; came to this country with family in Oct., 1888; settled first at Waukesha, Wis.; landed in Dickey county Dec. 14th, same year, and spent some time on farm six miles northwest of Ellendale, where attended the district school; entered office of Ellendale Commercial in fall of 1890 to learn printing business, which trade he has followed since; graduated from Ellendale high school in 1896; married to Miss Lillian R. Hodges in Ellendale, June 20, 1900, and has one son, Edward; bought half interest in Ellendale Leader, Dec. 1, 1897, which paper he conducted until came to Oakes Nov. 1, 1903.

THE SECRET SOCIETIES of the city are many. There are lodges of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Royal Arch Masons, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Ancient Order of United Workmen, Modern Woodmen of America, Yeomen, Woodmen of the World, Red Men, Eagles, Maccabees, with the auxiliaries: Order of Eastern Star, Rebekahs, Degree of Honor, Royal Neighbors. Then there is General Burnside Post, G. A. R., and its auxiliary, the W. R. C.

THE RYDER HOSPITAL is named after the proprietor, Dr. B. E. Ryder. It is located one block south of main on Second street, is 30x50 feet in dimensions and has 17 rooms.

DR. B. E. RYDER was born at Napoleon, Ohio, Sept. 27, 1874; resided in that state until sixteen years of age when he moved to Chicago; attended high school and normal college; studied medicine in College of Physicians and Surgeons, University of Illinois, graduating in 1900; practiced one year in Chicago; married to Miss Marie Jensen in Chicago, Sept. 28, 1900, who died in 1901, leaving one



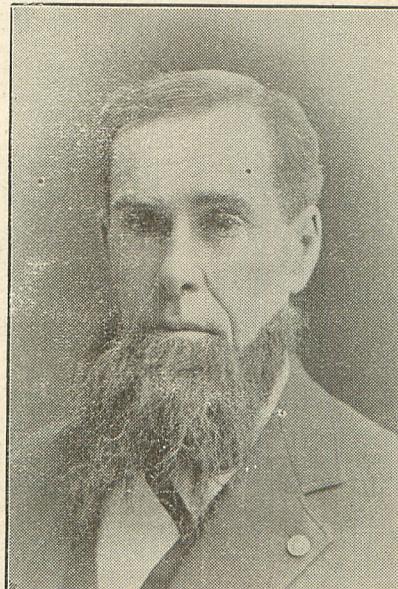
DR. F. W. MAERCKLEIN

THE HICKS GROCERY COMPANY occupies the Bittman building just west of the C. M. C. It is a brick front of two stories, 25x80 feet, and is owned by H. V. Hicks and his son, A. B. Hicks. Keeps groceries, notions, crockery, etc. H. E. Hyatt is employed in the store and H. Curtis is deliveryman.

H. V. HICKS was born at North Collins, New York, Sept. 13, 1846; educated in common schools at Alden; married to Miss Sarah J. Jenkins, Oct. 3, 1869, and has one son, Burton; veteran of civil war, serving eight months in Company M, New York Mounted Rifles, Army of the Potomac; came to South Dakota in 1884, Brookings county; came to Dickey county in 1893; farmed for six years; came to Oakes in spring of 1899 and started grocery and notion store with son in place now occupied by J. H. Jesson; moved to present location in 1903; is an enthusiastic Mason, being secretary of the masonic bodies and the Eastern Star; is master of the third vail of the grand chapter, R. A. M., and on the grievance and appeals committee of the grand lodge, A. F. & A. M.; owns residence on Fifth street.

A. B. HICKS was born at West Alden, N. Y., Christmas, 1873; came west with parents and attended district schools of Brookings county, S. D.; married to Miss Emma E. Curtis, Aug. 3, 1902; in business with father; owns residence on Fifth street.

THE OAKES HOSPITAL is a three story structure, 40x90 feet, with full basement. Two stories above ground are built of concrete blocks, and the upper story is finished with mansard roof. It was



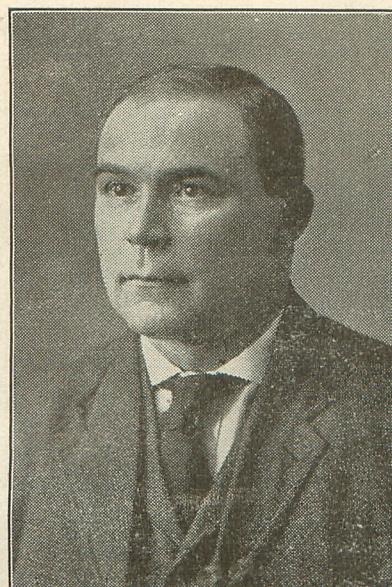
H. V. HICKS

daughter; came to Oakes in July, 1900; remarried to Miss Helen J. Harris in 1903 and has one son; was instrumental in organizing Southern District Medical Society of North Dakota and was its first president.

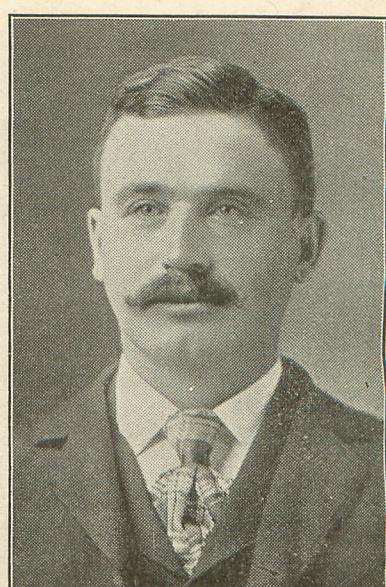
THE POSTOFFICE BLOCK is 25x50 feet, one story, and is owned by E. A. Moe. Mr. Moe occupies the lobby with his jewelry store, which is finely equipped with floor plate glass show cases with marble bases. Gus Heckel is assistant jeweler. The postoffice is to the rear, where handsome hardwood fixtures greet the eyes of patrons as they call for their mail. W. H. Bush is postmaster and Peter Bong, assistant.

E. A. MOE was born near Christiansand, Norway, Dec. 29, 1875; high school education in old country where he also learned jewelry business; came to America with his parents in 1893 and settled at Fisher, Minn.; completed course in jewelry at Grand Forks; in business eighteen months at Climax, Minn.; came to Oakes Sept. 20, 1900, and has been in business here since; married to Miss Kathryn Bell, Feb. 4, 1902, and has one son.

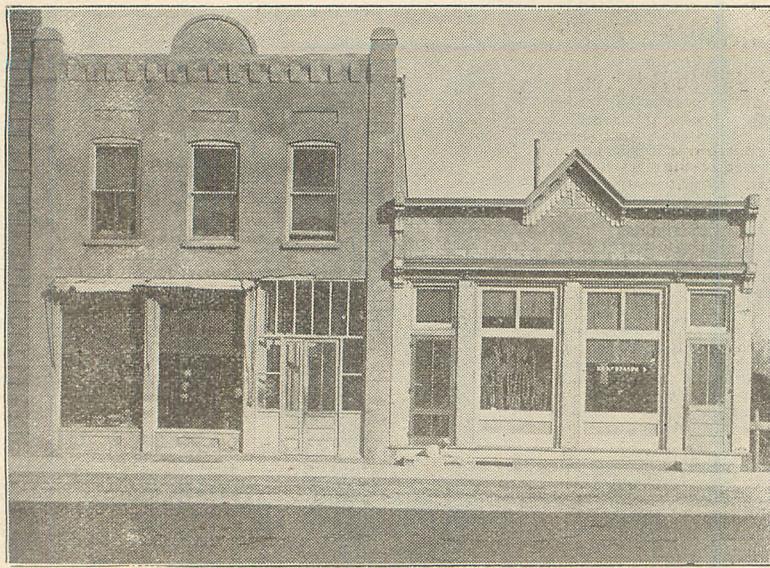
W. H. BUSH was born at Port Elgin, Ont., Can., Oct. 26, 1862; had higher education in Brockville high school, and Albert College, Belleville; landed in Dickey county, Jan. 15, 1882, and lived at Port Emma; married Nov. 30, 1887, to Miss Minnie E. Marsh, and has one son, Waldron; clerked in grocery store of Ramharter Bros. and C. M. C.; in restaurant business with J. M. Donovan two years and three years in business with W. H. Marsh in Second Street Furniture Store; appointed postmaster last winter, taking position Jan. 7, 1906; succeeded M. N. Chamberlin, who served two terms.



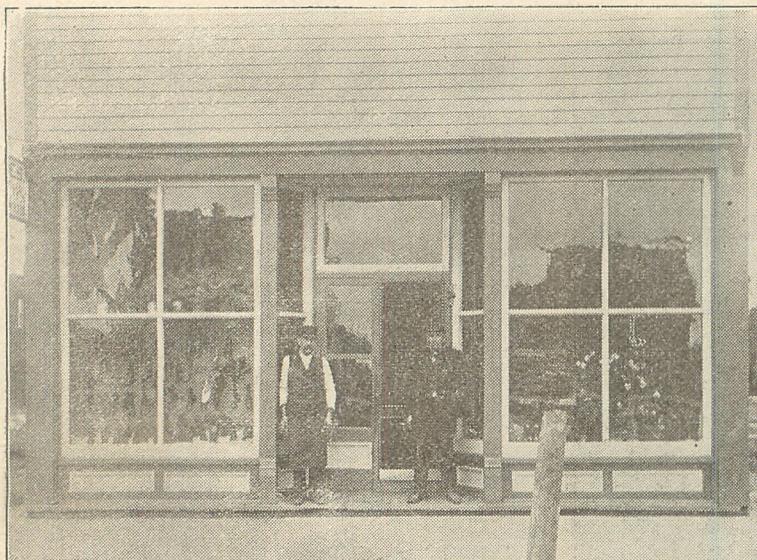
POSTMASTER W. H. BUSH



PETER NORBECK



THE BOARDMAN CONCRETE BLOCKS



JOHN SCHILL'S SHOE SHOP



RESIDENCE OF FRANK FULLER

built by Dr. H. P. Boardman in 1904 who recently sold it to Drs. F. W. and I. R. Maercklein. It has eighteen private rooms and is modernly equipped throughout. Picture of building on page 74.

DR. H. P. BOARDMAN was born at Rochester, Minn., Nov. 19, 1857; raised at Rochester where he attended the Rochester Academy; studied medicine at Ann Arbor, Mich., and is a graduate of Bellevue Hospital, New York City; married to Miss Alathea McMaster, Aug. 12, 1883, who died on March 23, 1903, leaving one son, Lees; came to Oakes twenty-one years ago; one of first aldermen in city; served on council nine years, four years as mayor; on board of education six years; remarried to Miss Mattie M. Irwin of Ellendale, Dec. 28, 1904; built Oakes Hospital.

DR. FRED W. MAERCKLEIN was born at Waubeka, Wis., Dec. 24, 1873; educated in high school at Milwaukee; studied medicine at Milwaukee Medical College, and took post graduate course in Northwestern College, at Chicago; located at Ashley, N. D., in fall of 1897; married to Miss Mabel Irwin, Dec. 28, 1904; moved to Oakes last fall.

DR. IVAN R. MAERCKLEIN is a twin brother of Dr. Edwin H. of Forman, and was born at Milwaukee, Wis., May 9, 1877; received medical education in Milwaukee; practiced at Wyndmere five years; came to Oakes this winter.

YOUNG'S DRUG STORE is located next to the Argyle Hotel and is owned by A. J. Young, who recently purchased the building of E. A. Porter. The interior of the store is attractive as will be seen by cut on page 56. The building is 85 feet long—60 of which are used in the pharmaceutical, paint, wall paper, stationery, cigar and confectionery lines and the balance is used for office and storeroom. Seven handsome plate glass cases, with marble bases, make a pleasing appearance as you enter the door. Willis Cranston, brother-in-law of the proprietor, Verne Meredith and Charley Kroman are clerks.

A. J. YOUNG was born at Isenhours, Minn., Jan. 8, 1882; moved to Brookings, S. D., and is graduate of class of 1903 of state agricultural college; studied pharmacy at Brookings and received experience in drug store at Mellette; married to Miss Margaret Cranston, Oct. 19, 1903, and has one daughter; assumed proprietorship of drug store here Dec. 12, 1904.

THE OAKES STEAM LAUNDRY started in business only four years ago, and has developed its plant at a rapid rate. It gets baskets from all the country around, and is giving good service. The main building is 32x60, with engine house in rear 20x30. It runs two washers and is putting in a third. Then there is an extractor, wringer, mangle, polisher, body ironer, collar machine, etc. It is owned and run by Denning & Moore. H. E. Severson is wash man and besides there are eight other employees.

J. H. DENNING (photo and sketch on page 34.)

A. H. MOORE was born in Iowa County, Iowa, March 21, 1872; attended

common schools and had business course in Des Moines; came to Oakes nearly two years ago and on Jan. 1, 1906, took possession with Mr. Denning of Oakes Steam Laundry.

THE OAKES LIVERY, FEED AND SALE STABLE is a frame building 54x56 feet, with room for forty-five head of horses and twelve carriages. W. J. Roberts is proprietor.

W. J. ROBERTS was born in Orleans county, New York, May 9, 1882; came to Sargent county, this state, when ten years of age where he made his home until he came to Oakes last July; married to Miss Ellen Knapp, Nov. 19, 1902; has two boys and one girl; has residence south of Soo tracks.

WHITFIELD'S ART STUDIO is located on Second street south and is a steel-covered building, 24x38, of two stories. H. H. Whitfield is proprietor, and is ably assisted by his wife. Besides the building which he occupies, he has erected this year a frame building near the Soo depot. This is run as a restaurant by Mrs. Blore.

H. H. WHITFIELD was born at Carlisle, Ont., Can., Oct. 7, 1859; raised at Ancaster and spent nine years at Muskoka; married to Miss Amy L. Shaver, April 22, 1883, and has two sons; came to Dakota in spring of 1882; farmed until came to Oakes six years ago; built present building four years ago.

STRAUB'S MEAT MARKET is named after its proprietor, Joe Straub. It is located four doors west of First National Bank and is a one-story frame building; has large ice house in rear. Anton Straub, brother of the proprietor, is assistant.

JOE STRAUB was born at Wurttemburg, Germany, Jan. 2, 1873; raised and educated there; came to this country and to Oakes in fall of 1889; married Miss Winnie Lester, May 18, 1898, and has one boy and three girls; owns fine residence south of Soo tracks.

THE NORTH DAKOTA ARTESIAN WELL COMPANY located and built its office and warehouse in Oakes in fall of 1905. It is incorporated with capital stock of \$40,000 and has as its officers: Peter Norbeck, president; H. N. Williamson, vice president; Fred Sletvold, secretary and treasurer. It has twelve rigs at work nearly all the time and has the reputation of doing business in a thorough business way.

PETER NORBECK was born in South Dakota in 1870; raised and educated in Clay county; was married in 1900 and has two daughters; original artesian well man of country; lives at Redfield, S. D., and is a member of its city council.

FRED SLETVOLD was born at Trondhjem, Norway, Jan. 21, 1875; raised and educated there; came to Oakes in 1905.

BOARDMAN'S FURNITURE STORE occupies the street floor of the large concrete block, on Union street, built in 1903. It is 25x125 feet; two stories forty feet back with half basement. The store is conducted by Boardman



RESIDENCE OF ANDREW WHITE



J. C. HOIDAL

Bros., but will come under the sole proprietorship of M. Boardman on Jan. 1, 1907.

M. BOARDMAN (picture and sketch on page 34.)

THE W. A. McCULLLEY LAND COMPANY occupies the west half of the one-story building, as shown in cut on preceding page, and the Drs. Maercklein have the east half as their down town office. W. A. McCullley is the main "guy" of the land company, and has as his stenographer, Otto C. Born.

W. A. McCULLLEY was born at Toronto, Canada, forty-two years ago; came west to Wisconsin; then to North Dakota; was superintendent of ranches in Cass county eight years; married to Miss Edith Blaisdell, in Minneapolis, fifteen years ago, and has one daughter, Roberta; came to Oakes seven years ago and is making success of land business; owns good residence on Second street, cut of which may be seen on page 39.

THE OAKES CIGAR FACTORY is owned and run by Christen Petersen, who occupies half of front with cigar store and factory and has his living rooms in rear and second floor. The

building is 22x30 with an addition to the rear of 14 feet. J. C. Hoidal has office in east half.

CHRISTEN PETERSEN was born in Denmark, Dec. 9, 1841, where he was raised and educated; married to Miss Marie Low, April 21, 1875; and has two daughters, Christine and Johannah; learned trade in old country; came to America in 1887 and to Oakes in 1888, where he has since resided. □

J. C. HOIDAL was born in Freeborn county, Minn., May 27, 1874; raised and educated there and had course in Luther Academy; married to Miss Helena R. Ovri, June 6, 1895; has three girls and one boy; engaged for years in mercantile business at Foxhome, Minn.; came to Oakes in Sept. 1901, to engage in land business; owns pop factory building and is largely interested in real estate in the country.

FRED MORGAN conducts pool and billiard parlors in the next building, which is owned by T. J. LaClair of Groton, S. D.

THE CITY RESTAURANT occupies the west 25 feet of the Klein & Sutmar block. In the front part is kept fruit, confectionery and cigars, while in the center is the dining room and lunch counters. S. P. Bronson is proprietor; has six employees.

S. P. BRONSON was born in Ontario, Canada, July 10, 1878; came to Spiritwood, N. D. with parents in winter of 1889; railloaded seven years; married to Miss Effie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Sackrider, Feb. 22, 1901, and has two girls; came to Oakes four years ago; purchased City Restaurant last August; has interest in Second Street meat market.

THE J. C. STIEL LAND COMPANY is located upstairs of the Klein & Sutmar block. J. C. Stiel is manager. At present he is out of the city.

THE RAMHARTER GROCERY has its own fine brick block, 25x60 feet, two stories, with an addition to the rear one story of 25 feet, and 60 foot basement. A. G. and F. L. Ramharter are proprietors, and E. Paulson and Frank Espeland, clerks. On the second floor is located the law office of S. G. Cady and real estate office of J. F. Sullivan.

A. G. RAMHARTER, (cut and sketch, page 43.)

F. L. RAMHARTER was born at Webster City, Iowa, Sept. 23, 1878; attended high school and took course in business college of that city; came to Columbia when ten years old, but returned shortly after to Iowa; moved to Oakes four years ago and has half interest in grocery store; married to Miss Mabel Munn, Jan. 17, 1903, and has one daughter.

S. G. CADY was born in Washington county, Vt., July 19, 1847; came to Minnesota when quite young and settled at Zumbrota, where raised and educated; received higher courses at Hamline University and at Red Wing; veteran of civil war, serving in Company G, Seventh Minnesota; served three years, one year being spent on plains of Dakota fighting Indians; mustered out with rank of sergeant; married to Miss Harriet A. Greer in March, 1871, and has one daughter, Mrs. J. W. Bush; studied law in office at Red Wing, Minn.; admitted to bar in 1876; came to Aberdeen in 1883; practiced law at Columbia; farmed in Sargent county seven years; chairman board of commissioners of that county two years; located at Oakes in 1893; alderman of city one term; city attorney three terms; states attorney one term.

J. F. SULLIVAN was born at Worcester, Mass., June 19, 1857; came west to Wisconsin when thirteen years of age; was in Illinois one year; in Iowa six years and several years in other states south; married Miss Ross Grote in 1881, and has one daughter, Ida, now Mrs. G. W. Pecker; came to Dakota in 1882 and to Oakes in 1886; has nice residence on Third street.

THE OAKES BAKERY is located on the first floor of the Cohn & Waubek building, next to Harris drug store. P. O. Koltermann is proprietor and is assisted in the business by his wife. In connection he runs a candy factory and handles confectionery and fruits.

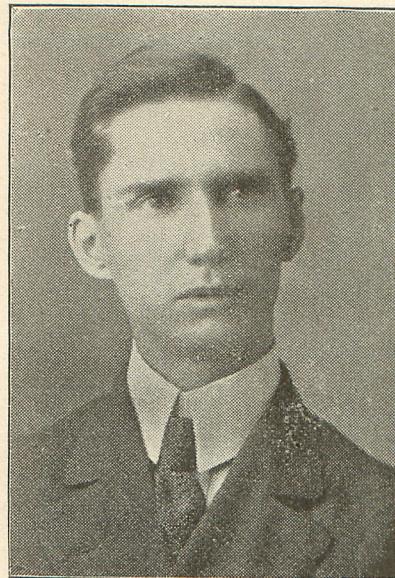
P. O. KOLTERMANN was born in Germany, Sept. 8, 1875; came to America in 1881 and settled at Omaha, Neb.; married to Miss Anna Daly in 1881, and has one son; came to Aberdeen, S. D. in July, 1899, and to Oakes March 1, 1905.

JOHNSON, THE PICTURE MAN, occupies the second floor of this building with his studio and living rooms.

J. E. JOHNSON was born in Buffalo county, Wis., Feb. 7, 1861; came to Buffalo county, Minn.; learned trade at Redwood Falls, Minn.; married to Miss Carolina Johnson, Oct. 3, 1882, and has four girls and one boy; came to Oakes in May, 1905.

THE RAILROADS do a large business here. The Times endeavored to get an idea of the business for this edition, but, only one of the agents reported.

S. BERGENTHAL, agent of the Soo Line, was born at Milwaukee, Wis., Nov. 10, 1876; came to Volga, S. D., with parents when quite young and educated in high school; came to Oakes nine years ago, and worked in Union depot until five years



S. BERGENTHAL

ago when he went to work for the Soo; married Mrs. Kate Sunberg, March 12, 1904, and has one son; has three employees.

THEODORE KARTES, agent of the Northern Pacific, was born at Green Bay, Wis., April 27, 1877; raised and educated at Chaska, Minn.; and is graduate of large Catholic school there; eight years in railroad work, was operator and clerk at Lisbon before coming to Oakes, Aug. 26, 1905; married Miss A. L. Gunkel at Arthur, N. D., June 26, 1906; has three employees.

C. W. FULLER, agent of the North-Western, was born at Shields, Minn., June 19, 1872; educated at Faribault high school; married Miss Evelyn McGrew April 17, 1893; has three boys and three girls; fourteen years experience in railroad work; agent at Volga, S. D., prior to coming to Oakes on Oct. 5, 1905; has two employees.

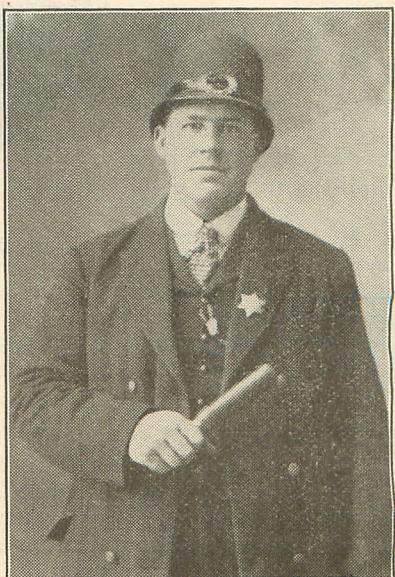
THE OAKES CARBONATING WORKS are owned by H. E. Hyatt and are located on east Union street.

H. E. HYATT was born at Kokomo, Ind., May 22, 1869; raised there and educated; course in American Normal College from which he graduated; married to Miss Minnie B. Porter, Jan., 1890; has four girls and two boys; owns farm of 320 acres in Lovell township; ran City Restaurant one year; was chief of police two years; owns residence on north Fifth street.

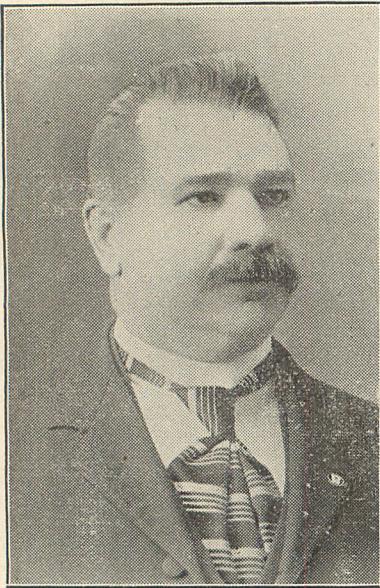
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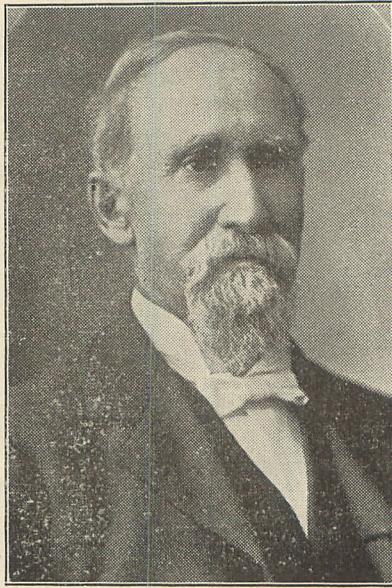
J. E. JOHNSON AT WORK



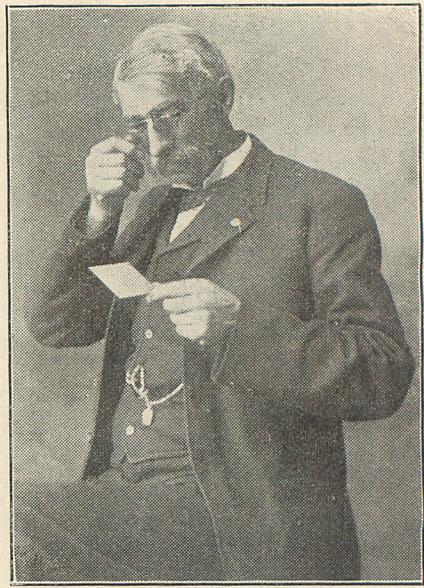
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WM. MILLS



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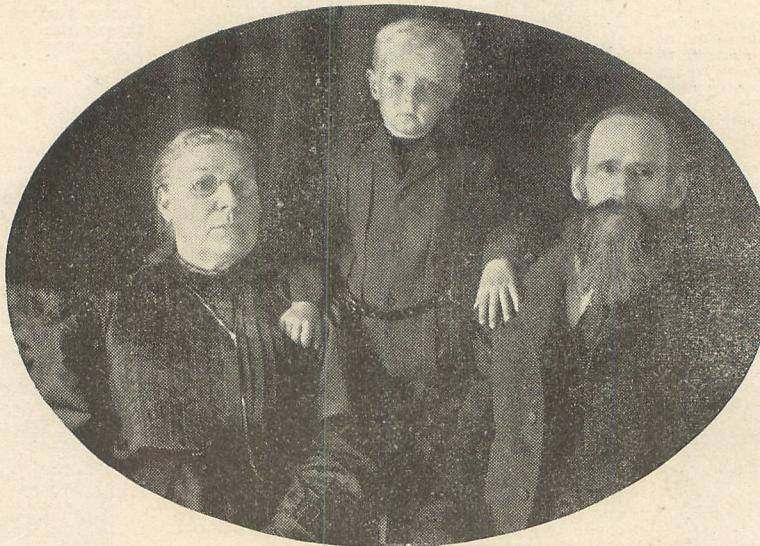
## A Few of the Old Timers of Dickey County

IT will be a quarter of century the twenty-second day of next February since Wm. Mills first set foot upon this soil. He came to take up land, and for his homestead and tree claim filed on the quarters that now comprise the land in the city of Oakes, north of Union street. The sod shanty of Mr. Mills stood in the low ground directly south of where the N. P. railroad crosses the section line, or what is now known as Fourth street. He is a native of Ireland, being born in the county of Monaghan, November 22, 1845. When twenty-five years of age he came to this country and for eleven years worked in a sawmill at Waterford, Pa., or until he came west to Dakota. He is a farmer and owns a half section of land between the city and the river, one quarter being his preemption

and the other he purchased after selling his title to the townsite property. He is a bachelor and makes his home at Hotel Argyle; is a consistent follower of the Presbyterian church, and always interested in the affairs of Oakes.

E. R. KENNEDY was born at Rochester, N. Y., July 6, 1833; came west to Elgin, Ill., with parents when eleven years of age; went to Indiana six years before the opening of the civil war; voted for John C. Fremont and every Republican president since; veteran of civil war; enlisted as corporal April 16, 1861, Company H, Ninth Indiana Infantry; after three months service advanced to sergeant and served in war four and

half years—the latter part being transferred to First United States Veteran Volunteer Engineers; married to Miss Melinda Carpenter, April 16, 1866, who died April 5, 1873, leaving three children—two of whom are still living; came to Dakota in 1883 and homesteaded a farm in Lovell township, where he now owns three quarters; remarried to Miss Ada Goodrich, Sept. 17, 1879, and has two daughters living out of family of five.



MR. AND MRS. JOSEPH G. MARTIN AND GREAT GRANDSON

married to Miss Lizzie Wheeler in 1866, and has four daughters and one son; came to Dickey county in 1883 and farmed large ranch in Port Emma township until two years ago when he moved to Oakes; sold farm last June.

JOSEPH G. MARTIN was born at St. Martin, New Brunswick, Nov. 27, 1834; moved to Nova Scotia in 1844; married Miss Amanda Porter, Sept. 10, 1856; had one daughter, Eliza L., who became Mrs. B. S. Hodges, Dec. 18, 1875, and who died Oct. 25, 1885, leaving one daughter, Lillian R., now Mrs. A. R. Wright; Mr. and Mrs. Martin just passed fiftieth anniversary of marriage; came from Nova Scotia to Boston, from Boston to Minneapolis; to Ellendale in 1883; to Oakes in fall of 1904.

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## THE OAKES TIMES

THE FENTON & BROWN HARDWARE COMPANY occupy its own two-story frame block, the ground floor of which extends clear to the alley and the second story 56 feet. The hardware store is in the original building and to the rear are the repair, tinning and store rooms. The company is in the implement business and has a warehouse, 40x48 feet, on North-Western tracks, where it does the storage and transfer business for this section. C. S. Brown is president; Mrs. C. B. Fenton, vice president; B. W. Slocum, secretary. H. O. Ray and Henry Kreitman are the employees.

C. S. BROWN (picture and sketch on page 35.)

MRS. C. B. FENTON was born, raised and educated at Chautauqua, N. Y.; married to C. J. Fenton, Feb. 28, 1877, who died Nov. 24, 1905, leaving two daughters and one son; came to Dakota in 1885 and farmed east of Oakes until coming to city to engage in business in 1890; owns fine residence on Third street. (cut page 39.)

B. W. SLOCUM, who came into the business in 1905, was born in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Oct. 3, 1863; raised there and is a graduate of the city high school; was bookkeeper eleven years for Priedeman & Lewis, crackers and candy manufacturers of St. Paul; came to Sargent county in 1890; farmed until coming to Oakes; still owns farm; last summer bought residence on Fifth street, married to Miss Gusta, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Phifer in 1899; public administrator of Sargent county.

THE PIPER BLOCK is a brick building 25x40 feet, two stories, with full basement. It is owned by Miss Jennie Piper, who runs a bakery and confectionery store. Miss Piper attends to her own ovens, which are located in the basement and her sister, Miss Emma, waits on customers.

MISS JENNIE PIPER is a native of Ontario, Can., where she lived until 1883, when the family located at Sheldon, N. D.; came to Oakes ten years ago and started bakery in small way across street where present building stands; built block in 1903; owns residence on Third street occupied by C. A. Newton.

JOHN SCHILL, the shoemaker and harness-maker, occupies his own building, a one-story frame, first door east of Home Hotel. His stock of shoes and harness goods occupies the front part, and back of this are his living rooms. Mr. Schill is ably assisted in the business by his wife.

JOHN SCHILL was born at Baden, Germany, Dec. 27, 1850; raised and educated there; came to Fargo, N. D., in 1878 and to Oakes in April, 1886; married to Miss Mina Lang, May 19, 1886, and has three girls and one boy.

THE HUB RESTAURANT is located on Second street in a one-story frame building owned by Miss Ranka Johnson. H. V. Ellsworth and Aden Nelson are proprietors and have three employees.

H. V. ELLSWORTH is the only business man who was born in Dickey county, having first seen the light of day on a farm near here on Oct. 22, 1882; has lived here all his life; was brakeman on Soo road before going into restaurant business.

ADEN NELSON was born at Dakota, Minn., Nov. 4, 1882, where he was raised and educated; came to Oakes Nov. 7, 1904, and was operator at Soo until he acquired interest in restaurant this fall.

DILLINGHAM'S SHAVING PARLORS are located in the small building, east of the Vinkle, owned by Mrs. Meacham of Ellendale. Frank Dillingham is proprietor; R. A. White and Ray Dilley, assistants.

FRANK DILLINGHAM is son of Mrs. M. Boardman and was born at Wadena, Minn., Oct. 16, 1882; attended high school there and at Milnor, this state, where family moved in 1897; married Miss Anna Wolfe, of Ellendale in 1902, and has two boys; moved to Oakes five years ago and bought barber shop in 1904.

THE SECOND STREET MEAT MARKET is owned by Montgomery & Bronson and owns a good building.

S. P. BRONSON (Sketch on page 58.)

LEE MONTGOMERY was born at Walnut Grove, Minn., May 6, 1882; educated at Tracy, Minn.; came to Oakes on Aug. 21, 1906; bought interest in meat market last fall.

C. E. GNAUCK, the tailor, was born in Saxony, Germany, March 3, 1851; raised and educated at Elsterberg; married Miss Agnes Miller, April, 1878; one boy and four girls living, out of family of twelve children; came to Milwaukee, Wis., in 1883; later to Waupun, Wis.; came to Oakes in 1903 and owns tailor shop and residence.

GEO. A. TUTHILL, dealer in farm implements, has a fine warehouse of two stories on corner of Second and Cedar streets. (Picture and sketch on page 34.)

MOORE'S LIVERY was one of the first livery barns erected in Oakes. It is 28x130 feet, and owns 125x140 feet of land on the corner of Second and Cedar streets. C. A. and E. J. Moore, are in partnership, and also own a barn at Cogswell.

C. A. MOORE was born at Blue Earth, Minn., Nov. 29, 1872; came to Sargent county when ten

years old with parents; married Miss Claudie Foust, July 3, 1900, and has one son and one daughter; farmed until five years ago when he came to Oakes.

THE NORTH STAR LUMBER COMPANY has its yards on the N. P. tracks north of the Union depot. Its yards are 100 feet wide by 320 long. L. E. Stanton is agent, and Michael Peterson, yard man.

L. E. STANTON was born in Stephenson county, Ill., July 4, 1853; raised there and has high school education; lived in Iowa twenty years and was in other states south; married Miss Leal Anderson 21 years ago; has one daughter and three sons; came to Oakes four years ago; has fine residence just east of Oakes.

SOL HUNTER, the present chief of police, was born at Syracuse, N. Y., May 20, 1855; married to Miss Ellen McGaffery in 1881, who died last year; has two children, both married; came to Yorktown in 1882, and to Oakes in 1887; chief of police seven years; owns dray line and ice wagon; has an ice manufacturing plant and large ice house near creamery; owns residence on Elm street (cut page 37).

J. C. FOOT & CO. are getting settled in the Bitman building next to the Oakes National Bank, and will run a drug store. J. C. Foot is proprietor, and H. H. Sorg, pharmacist.

J. C. FOOT was born in Fayette county, Iowa, Feb. 26, 1860; raised and educated in common schools at Hawkeye; raised on farm until twenty years of age, then engaged in implement business; has been engaged in drug business in Iowa; married to Miss Maude Glenn, Aug. 10, 1903 and has one daughter; has one son and daughter by a former marriage.

THE UNION MEAT MARKET is owned by W. R. Bishop and is run by Amos Fordyce under lease. It occupies the first floor of a two-story frame building two doors east of Argyle Hotel.

AMOS FORDYCE was born in Green county, Pa., June 25, 1868; came to Oakes in 1884, and lived on farm; worked five years in butcher shop and this year has a lease of the place; married to Mrs. Anna Lind, April 7, 1902, and has one daughter.

RITTERBUSH & SON are our leading contractors and builders. They have a shop at corner of Union and Third streets. Have put up all the principal business and residence houses in the city.

W. E. DICKINSON, agent of the E. Blankenburg Elevator, was born at St. Charles, Minn., May 22, 1876; educated at Balaton high school; came to Oakes last fall to assume charge of elevator; the proprietor lives at Henry, S. D.; elevator has 20,000 bushels capacity; has taken in of grain this season 30,000 bushels.

W. A. PANNEBAKER, agent for the Atlas elevator, was born in Sandusky county, Ohio, Aug. 5, 1853; came to Indiana when ten years of age and attended Angola high school; married to Miss Phoebe K. Howell, his third wife, in 1894, and has six living children; came to Dakota in 1880; at Fargo one year; at Tower City three years; Ransom county fifteen years, where he was clerk of court one term; came to Oakes three years ago; is present city justice; elevator has 15,000 bushels capacity; has taken in 25,000 bushels of grain this fall.

E. S. VAN HORN, agent of the Hawkeye elevator, was born at Marshall, Mich., Sept. 5, 1857; raised and educated there; married Miss Amanda Wright, Feb., 1883, and has one girl and one boy; came to Dakota in 1882; elevator is 20,000 bushels capacity and has taken in nearly 30,000 bushels of grain this fall.

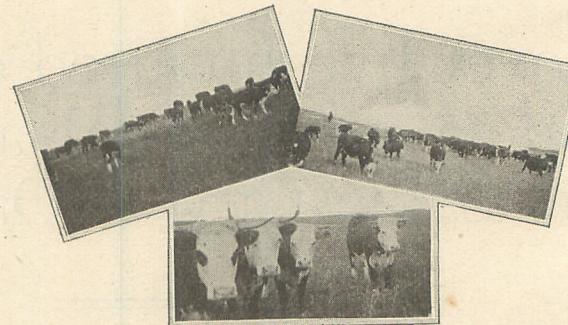
G. W. RIEBE, agent of the Atlantic elevator, was born at Glencoe, Minn., Aug. 20, 1877; raised and educated at Buffalo Lake; married eight years ago to Miss Agnes Pralvitz; came to Oakes Aug. 17, 1906; elevator is 28,000 bushel capacity and has taken in about 20,000 bushels of grain this fall.

There are other lines of business in the city of which we have time to merely mention: Machine shop of the North Dakota Artesian Well Company has D. L. Koontz as machinist; J. P. Perkins, L. A. Sieberg and H. A. Bachelor, each have blacksmith shops.

There are four dray lines in the city owned by Ladd & Root, Sol. Hunter, C. B. Sackrider and S. W. White. The two former keep two and three teams busy all the time.

Then there is the bowling alley, lunch counter and reading room on north Second street, run by D. A. Taylor.

The plumbing shops of A. J. Bunker, E. Burckhard and C. M. Plummer.



CLOVER LEAF STOCK FARM IN HUDSON

W. D. Bryan, Manager



The above cut shows the largest tree in Dickey county.

It is growing in the McGlynn gulch in the Coteaus, three miles northwest of Forbes. It is an elm, measures thirteen feet in circumference and of natural growth. Picnickers from Forbes underneath its branches.

### BANK DEPOSITS

The deposits in the eight banks of Dickey county, according to their last published statement, Nov. 12, 1906, was \$1,021,523.25. In this is reflected the prosperity of our people. The deposits in the various banks were as follows:

First National, Oakes	\$224,199.38
Oakes National, Oakes	175,682.75
First National, Ellendale	355,706.36
First State Bank, Ellendale	72,194.74
Fullerton State Bank	31,653.35
Forbes State Bank	40,985.88
Bank of Monango	96,145.95
First State Bank, Merricourt	24,954.84

Total

\$1,021,523.25

## The Other Towns of the County

### ELLENDALE

ELLENDALE is the oldest town of the county. Its first frame building was erected in May, 1882, the year the Milwaukee railroad reached that promising hamlet. In the contest with Keystone for county seat honors Ellendale won handily by a vote of 171 to 62. Ellendale is now a city of 1,200 population. It has the court house and is the home of the Manual Training School. It has many solid business houses and some very fine residences. It owns complete system of sewer and waterworks, as well as a good gas lighting plant. Ed. N. Leiby is the present mayor, and V. E. Haskins, city auditor. J. M. Bunker is postmaster.

### MONANGO

This town was started when the Milwaukee road was extended north in 1886. It is within a mile of the Soo running west and has connection by stage with Kilbernie, a town on the Soo, two miles west. Monango has a good artesian well, an excellent school, and its business men are a bunch of hustlers. J. L. Warren is postmaster.

### FULLERTON

This is a Soo town and is coming rapidly to the front. A bank, a hardware and furniture store, general store, two elevators, lumber yard, barber shop and billiard hall, meat market, are among the late additions to its growth. It is backed by a thrifty set of farmers and has a graded school. B. S. Kingsley is the postmaster.

### MERRICOURT

Another town that has come into prominence in the past year is Merricourt on the Soo. A bank, general store, lumber yard and fine depot are among the latest acquisitions. U. Welch is postmaster.

### FORBES

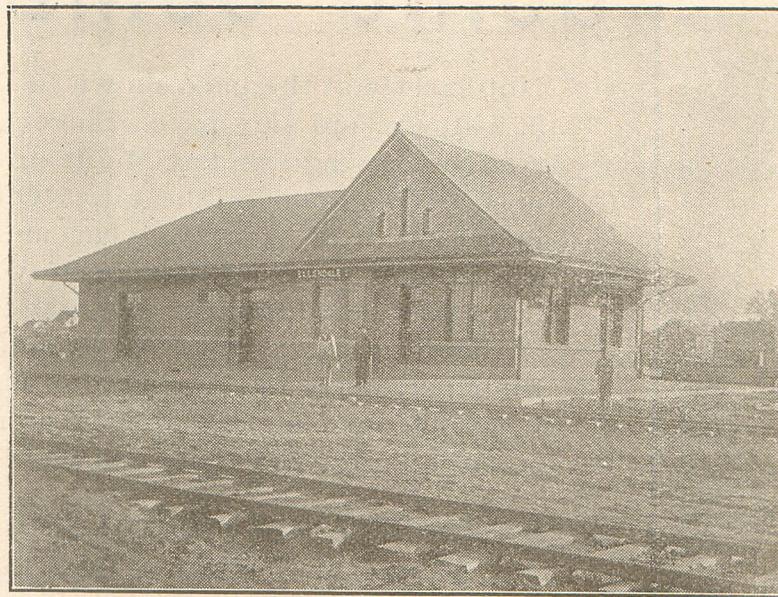
This is the youngest town in the county, but far from the dullest. It is the terminus of the Great Northern road, and while it only came into existence in November, 1905, it has all lines of business and a splendid lot of hustlers. It has a bank, a newspaper, (a second one just gone out of existence), a creamery and all of the general lines of business are well represented. Geo. H. Ladd is postmaster.

### LUDDEN

This town thought it was "Oakes" for awhile. By this we mean the terminus of the North-Western. It had a great boom along about '86 and '87, with a population of about 200, with a bank, newspaper, and a thriving business in all commercial lines. But since then most of the buildings have been moved away, and all that remains in a business way are its two stores, the hotel and a lumber yard. These are maintaining a good business. F. E. Randall is postmaster.

### GLOVER

This little burg nestles in a pretty place amid prosperous farm scenes and a lay of country that is hard to beat. Farming is carried on here on a large scale by Glover & Son, for whom the town was named. Fred Glover manages the farm, while his father, Samuel Glover, maintains his home in Minneapolis. Glover has a general store, lumber yard, machinery and implement house and two elevators. J. Oscar Olson is postmaster.



THE NEW GREAT NORTHERN DEPOT AT ELLENDALE

Clement, nine miles west of Oakes on the Soo, has one store; Guelph, on the Great Northern, has two stores, and Silver Leaf, on the same road, seven miles east of Ellendale, has one store. M. Morgan is postmaster of Clement; J. D. Root of Guelph and H. Hagen of Silver Leaf.

## The Oakes Bakery

P. O. KOLTERMANN, PROP.

We make everything in the line  
of Bakery Goods

Sell Bread by Wholesale or  
Retail

Baskets furnished for the wholesale trade

Pastry of all kinds made  
to order

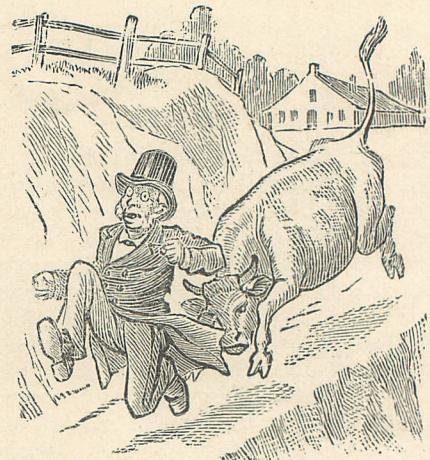
### Home Made Candies

We make a nice line of candies including the taffies and fudges and have a nice line of box candies. Just the thing for the holiday season.

We invite your patronage

# GOING SOME

Not exactly at the pace shown in the picture, but at a steady and sure pace. Since coming to Oakes twelve years ago we have built up a business that is second to none in the city. Our business has increased from year to year and the one now drawing to a close has been very satisfactory from every standpoint. We take this opportunity of thanking our many friends and customers for their patronage in the past and assure them that it will be our constant aim to merit the same generous treatment. Our stock is larger and more complete than ever and we can surely please you.



Full lines of Dry Goods, Clothing, Gent's and Ladies' Furnishings, Boots and Shoes, Crockery, Glassware and Groceries.

## KLEIN & SUTMAR

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OAKES, NORTH DAKOTA

## Photographs

To be good must be made under a ground glass skylight, which gives softness; and with a Dallmeyer lens, which gives roundness with detail.

Whitfield's photos have many admirers, and patrons all over the country are more satisfied with their photos when done here.

Note the pose, the shading and the perfect finish. It takes time to make good photos.

We use the best plates, paper and chemicals.

We have mounts in all styles and colors.

The work of developing the plate and finishing the negative come after the proofs are shown.

All these qualifications we claim to possess, therefore our confidence that we can furnish you with the best.

Do not put it off much longer. Come in, sit for photos and let us prove it.

All our enlargings are guaranteed.

We also do viewing of stock, carriages and residences.

Whitfield's Art Studio

Second street south

We also have a studio at Forman, Sargent county.

## Tonsorial Parlors

EVERYBODY is invited to inspect the new quarters in the brick block where everything is new and up-to-date.

All fixtures sanitary

Four chairs      Three bath rooms

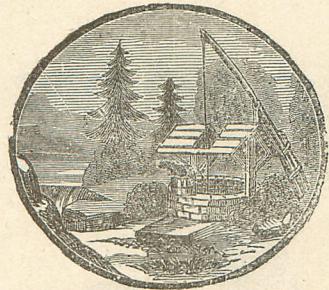
First-class workmen

Massage and razor honing  
a specialty

Call and see us whether you need anything or not.

Remember the place: Next door to the postoffice.

John Kennedy, Proprietor



# A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all

We are doing a very good business, thank you. Never was better than the season of 1906. Last year Fred Walker of Ellendale took the cake for selling the most farm machinery in this district, but this year we got into the bakery and captured the goods. Our record was made in the sale of Minneapolis Threshers.

We carry an up-to-date stock of Shelf and Heavy Hardware

Harness manufactured to order and all kinds of repairing done

Agent for the leading lines of Farm Machinery

The Monarch Malleable Range is one of our leaders in the stove line. It is the "Stay Satisfactory" kind.

W. M. LOCKIE  
Third Door East of Postoffice  
OAKES, NORTH DAKOTA



## Second Street Meat Market

MONTGOMERY & BRONSON, Proprietors



Dealers in all kinds of Meat

HIGHEST PRICES PAID FOR  
HIDES, FURS AND POULTRY

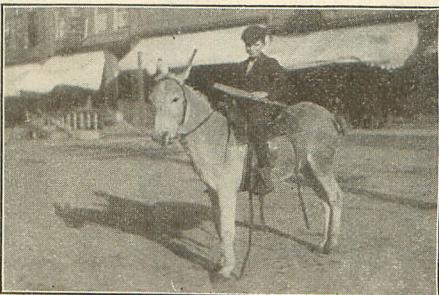
Boil Meat from three to five cents

FREE DELIVERY

PHONE 138

## Argyle Hotel

W. D. HUFFMAN, Proprietor



The old and reliable hotel  
of the city

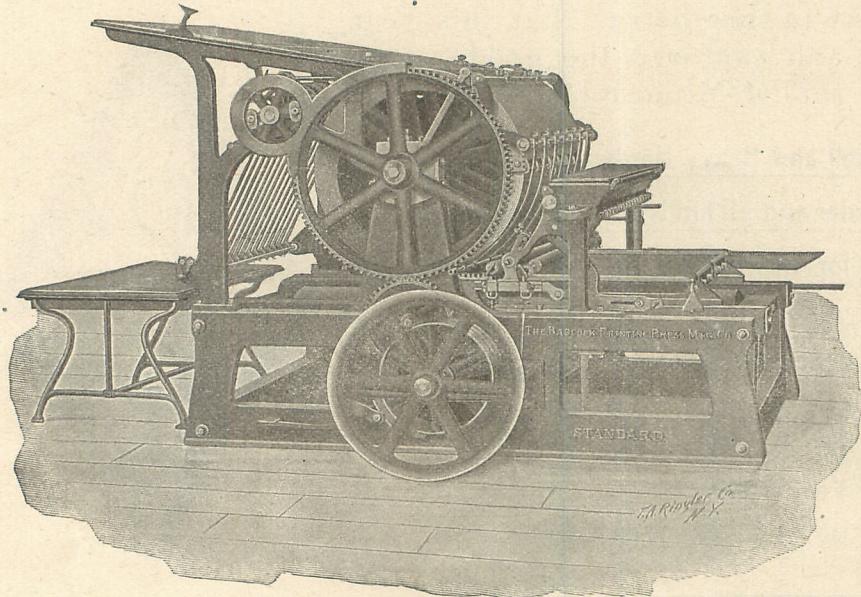
Has all modern conveniences of  
first-class hotels

Rates: \$1.25 per day

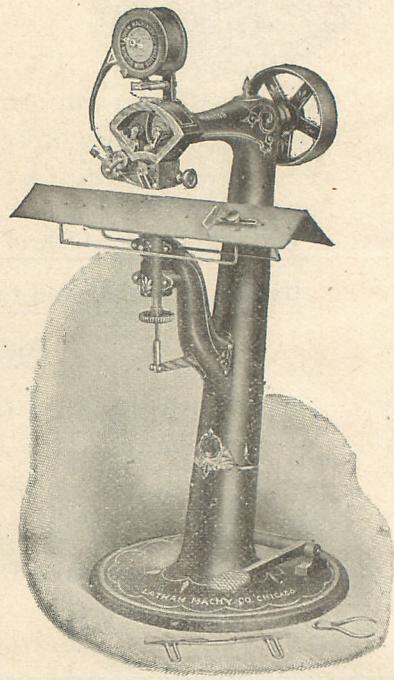
FREE BUS TO TRAINS

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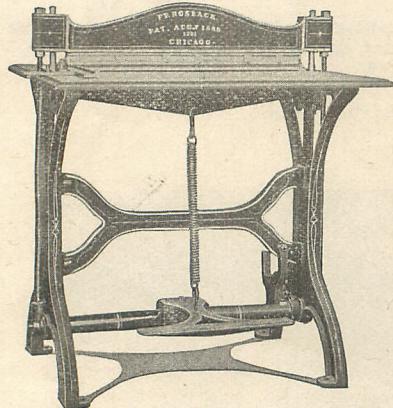
was never in better shape to handle your printing with neatness and dispatch



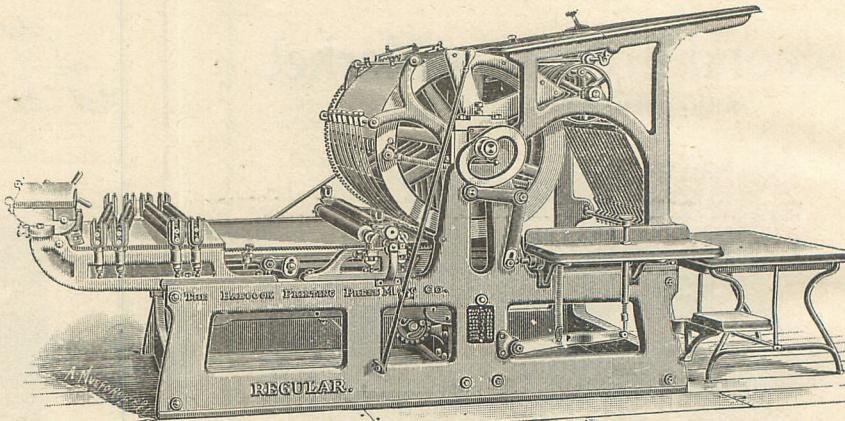
No. 6 Book and Newspaper Press



Monitor Wire Stitcher No. 2



Rosback 20-Inch Perforator



Babcock Pony, Press on which this edition was printed

The above shows some of our equipment. The large press we installed a year ago to take care of the newspaper end of the business. Last winter we added a 30-inch Challenge Paper Cutter, and this winter we have just installed one of the very finest power wire stitchers on the market as well as a large perforator. The increasing business demands additional machinery and we are getting the best.

LET US DO YOUR PRINTING AND BOOK BINDING

**THE OAKES TIMES**

OAKES, NORTH DAKOTA

# *The* **Salzer Lumber Company**

Dealer in all kinds of

## Building Material

Lumber, Lath, Lime,  
Cement, Shingles, etc.

*The largest and best assortment  
in the city*

## *COAL AND WOOD*

*Can always fill your orders for fuel*

*Yards located on South Second Street  
PHONE: 26-K*

T. H. FERBER, Local Agent

## **W. D. Potter AUCTIONEER**

Has had twenty years' experience in the crying of sales. The Nichols' sale was the largest ever held in Dickey county and he did the job satisfactorily. If you are going to have a sale, write him at Oakes for terms, or call up The Times office by phone at his expense.

Breeder of Thoroughbred  
Aberdeen Angus Cattle and  
Percheron Horses

*Correspondence solicited*

Farm four miles south of Oakes

## **The Vinkle House**

O. H. SEVERSON, Proprietor

Steam Heated, Gas Lighted and  
modern in every particular

The leading inn of the city—the  
home of the traveling men

First-class accommodations and  
good service

Free bus to and from trains

Rate: Two Dollars per day

**First building to left after leaving  
Union Depot**

## **JOHN SCHILL**

Manufacturer and dealer in

Harness and Harness Goods,  
Boots and Shoes

In shoes we handle the

**F. MEYER, of Milwaukee  
and  
R. P. SMITH & SON, of Chicago**

They are the best grade of shoes on the market. We keep a full line of men's ladies', misses' and children's.

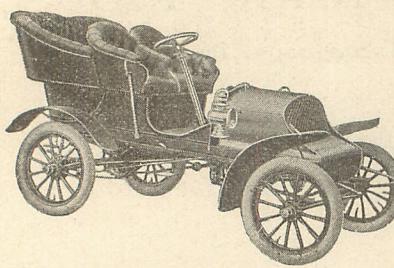
Bring your harness and shoes here and  
have them repaired

We have been in the business eighteen years in Oakes and know how to do your work right.

Our prices are consistent with good service.

## The Oakes Machine Company

P. J. AASEN, Proprietor



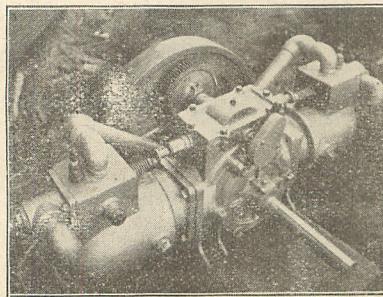
Headquarters  
for  
Automobiles  
Automobile  
Supplies  
Gasoline and  
Oils

Automobile Repairing a Specialty

Steam and gas line engines,  
stationary and traction

Boiler and  
Machine  
works and  
General  
Black-  
smithing

Satisfaction  
guaranteed



Auto Engine, my own patent

## If You Want

a choice cut of meat of any kind

go to

## Straub's Meat Market

Keeps on hand a good supply of meats. Everything is closely looked after from a sanitary standpoint—at the slaughter house and in the market our highest aim is cleanliness.

Game and Fish in Season

Hides bought and sold

## New and Up-to-Date Livery, Feed and Sale Stable

TEAL & STANLEY, PROPRIETORS



The best of  
Service  
in the  
Livery Line  
Good horses  
and  
swell new rigs

Barn is thoroughly sanitary  
Concrete floors throughout

Infirm horses taken and given the best of medical care under direction of Dr. S. W. Teal, state veterinarian.

Feed sheds where farmers can tie and feed horses under shelter. Accommodation only costs 10c per. Large corral in connection.

Located in large concrete barn north of Vinkle

## Oakes Carbonating Works

Manufactures all kinds of

## CARBONATED DRINKS

POP, ALES, CIDER, ETC.  
furnished in any amount desired

We charge soda fountain tanks

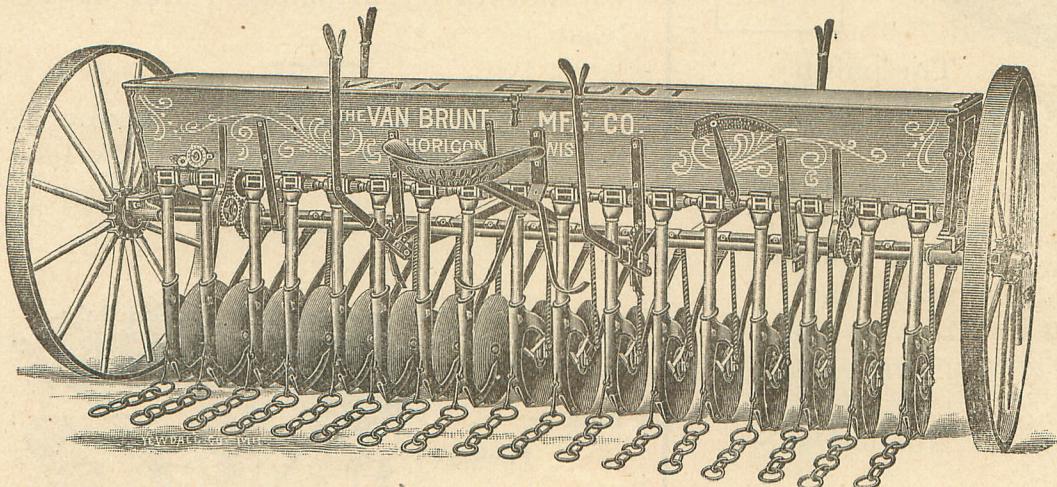
Our goods are guaranteed

**H. E. HYATT, Proprietor**

# We Are After Your Business

FULLY recognizing the pith of the old adage that quality is remembered long after price is forgotten, we offer for your best consideration a line of goods of which each is a universal favorite in its class. We keep only the best lines.

A complete line of High Grade Hardware kept in stock at all times



Majestic Ranges

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Van Brunt  
Drills

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Studebaker  
and Moline  
Wagons

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McCormick Harvesting Machinery, Dain Hay Tools  
Northwest Grain Separators, DeLaval Cream Separators

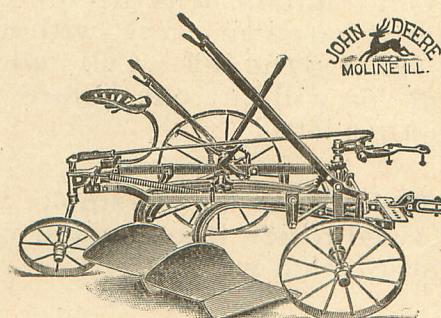
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John Deere Plows  
and Corn Tools

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“Success” Manure Spreaders

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Heating and Plumbing of all descriptions

Let us estimate with you the probable cost of fitting up that home and show you some of the plants now in operation, also the smiles of the owners

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THEY ARE THE KIND THAT DON'T COME OFF

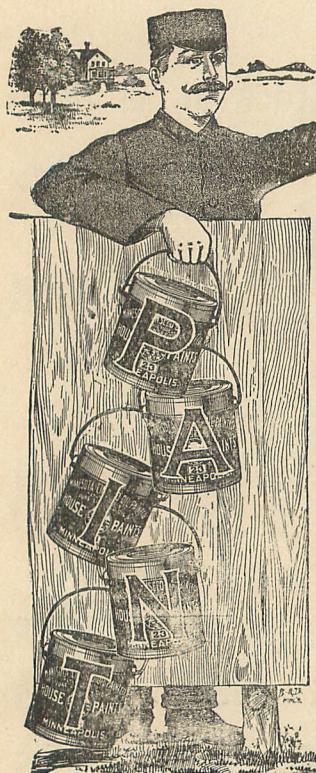
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The Fenton & Brown Hardware Company

OAKES, NORTH DAKOTA

# We Fill Your Prescription as the Doctor Ordered

Our drugs are the best that money can buy and you get quick results from the use of them.



The paints and oils we sell are guaranteed to be strictly pure and to stand the test of the **PURE PAINT LAW OF North Dakota.**

Call for our color card and we will sell you the goods you want.

Our fountain pens are the only pens that a lady can carry without danger of spilling the ink. Call and see them and you will buy one before you write another letter.

If you want a good smoke we will be pleased to sell it to you and you will be pleased that we did.

Do you want a box of stationery or a tablet? We have them for sale.

Remember that our line of drugs, sundries, paints, stationery, cut glass, and hand painted China is the best in town and that your liberal patronage is what enables us to carry a good stock of goods.

**A. J. YOUNG, The Druggist**

Do not forget that we can sell you the wall paper that will make that the best room in your home, and that it will not hurt your bank account in the least.

You will also want some Lacqueret for that furniture; it makes it look like new.

We handle all the latest odors in perfumery

**Bulk or Package**

And sell the bulk at from **50c to \$2.00 per oz.**

**Packages from 10c to \$11.00**

Call and smell them.

Don't you need a box of Talcum Powder, a bottle of Cold Cream or a bar of soap?



## **PERFUMES FROM CALIFORNIA**

Just received a fine assortment direct from **RIEGER, the California Perfumer.** These perfumes are made where the flowers grow and give the true flower odor.

Among them is the famous **"SUNSET VIOLETS"**

Ask to be shown the odor—it will be a revelation to you.

**A Beautiful Poster**—We are exhibiting in our store a beautiful poster by Urquhart Wilcox, especially made for Rieger & Co., makers of "Sunset Violets." It is well worth seeing. Copies \$1.00.

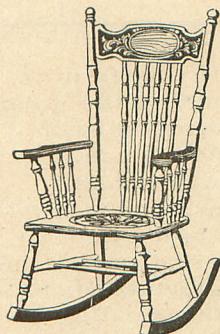
W. H. MARSH

S. H. MARSH

# W. H. MARSH & CO.

## FURNITURE and UNDERTAKING

Save money by buying your furniture at home



Carpets, rugs, linoleum, curtains, window shades, curtain poles, both brass and wood of all kinds kept constantly on hand



We also carry a full line of  
House, barn and carriage paints, oils and varnishes

Largest stock of wall paper in the city  
From the cheapest goods to the superb leathers

PAINTING: Carriage and house painting. We have our shop fitted up so  
that we can handle ten or more buggies at a time

Automobiles painted, made to look like new

Large stock of window glass

Paper hanging

Glazing

Room and picture molding

Picture framing

Remember the

## SECOND STREET FURNITURE STORE

W. H. Marsh & Co.

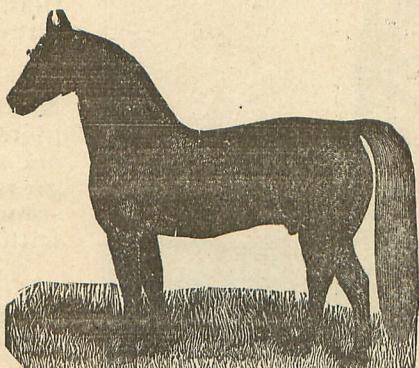
Two blocks south of First National Bank

Oakes, North Dakota

## The Andrews Livery

J. B. ANDREWS, Proprietor

Better equipped than ever to furnish you with safe teams and comfortable drivers at reasonable prices.



Always ready to buy horses for spot cash and always have some for sale.

Usually have a few high class drivers that can move along a little.

Will buy hay or oats at any time of year and pay highest market price.

Barn located across North-Western tracks

Aden Nelson

H. V. Ellsworth

## The Hub Restaurant

NELSON & ELLSWORTH, Proprietors

Board by day or week

We serve the best of meals at all hours of the day or night

Rooms in connection

Second street

South of Argyle Hotel

# ARTESIAN WELLS

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## REMEMBER

We cheerfully make good wells that go wrong.

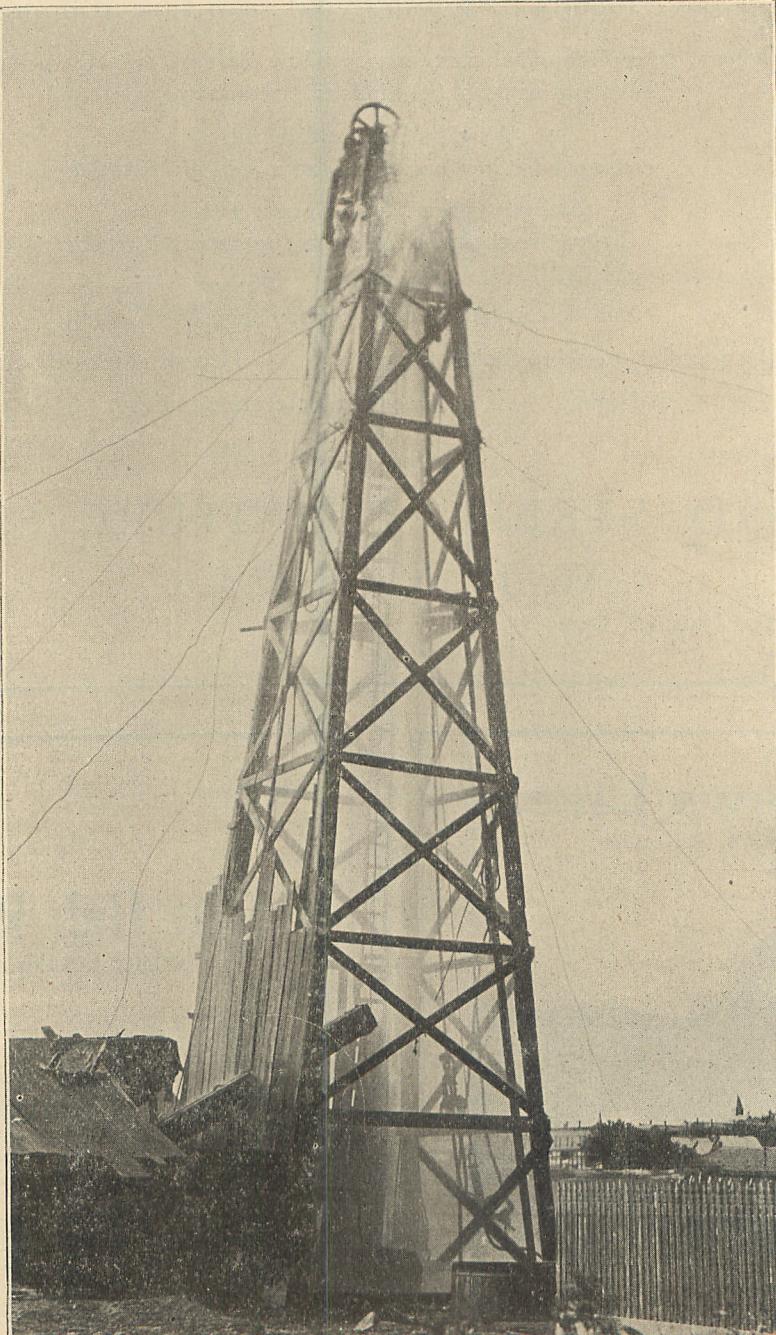
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We use nothing but the best of material.

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We are in the well business to stay and one of our rigs will always be working in your neighborhood.

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We give any kind of reasonable time that you may want.

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Our prices are the lowest consistent with guaranteed work.

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If your farm is within the great artesian basin and you are without an artesian well you are not making use of one of the greatest advantages nature has bestowed on you.

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No farmer or stockman can winter stock as well and as cheaply on cold water as they can on warm artesian water.

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It will save the price you paid for it in feed and at the same time it is the best permanent improvement and the greatest convenience that ever was put on a farm.

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No farm is complete without one and no progressive farmer should be without one.

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Be up with the times and let us drill you one NOW.

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Call on us, or write us, and we will call on you

North Dakota Artesian Well Company  
OAKES, NORTH DAKOTA

# There is a Distinct Advantage

In carrying a line of Furniture different from that of your competitors, and the advantage of ours is that we carry the best line and largest assortment in Dickey county

Come in and see our Holiday Assortment. The best ever

Pictures, 10c up  
Fancy baskets, 3c up  
Hand mirrors, 10c up  
Photo frames, 15c up  
Rocking horses  
Hand sleds  
Rocking chairs  
Willow chairs  
Writing desks  
Book cases  
Chiffoniers  
Cupboards  
Cabinets

China closets  
Office desks  
Side boards  
Dressers  
Parlor, kitchen, breakfast and extension tables  
Wardrobes  
Center tables, \$1.50 up  
Foot stools  
Go-carts  
Lace curtains  
Rugs, all sizes  
Sewing machines

Carpets, from cheapest to best  
Beds  
Springs  
Mattresses  
Pillows  
Couches  
Davenports  
Couch covers  
Linoleum  
Mattings  
Window shades  
Jardineer stands

No trouble to show goods. Come in and look over our stock. It will not cost anything and we may interest you.

## M. BOARDMAN

The Furniture and Undertaking Man

**The Palace**  
CLOTHING HOUSE  
OAKES, N.D.

An up-to-date Clothing and Shoe store with up-to-the-minute goods at lowest prices.

Furnishers for  
MEN and BOYS

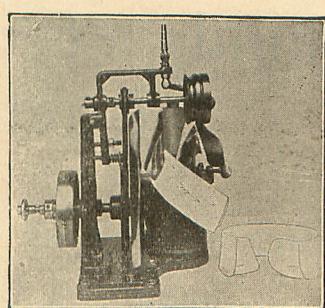
Your presence at our store solicited

Money always cheerfully refunded

### The Oakes Steam Laundry

DENNING & MOORE, Proprietors

We have as well equipped laundry as in the state and use pure soft and hard water. We have experienced



Collar Shaper and Edge Ironer

workmen and the very latest in the way of modern machinery. We can't make new clothes out of old ones but we can make dirty clothes clean

Ladies can send us their lace curtains and fancy waists to be cleaned, and we will do our best to please them.

**Prompt Service and Good Work Guaranteed**

Give us a trial and be convinced

Corner Third and Pine streets

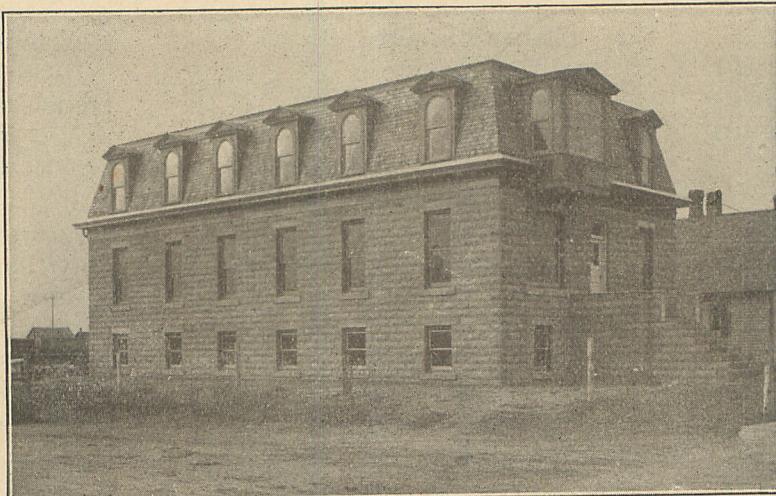
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# The Oakes Hospital

Under the management of Drs. H. P. Boardman,  
F. W. and I. R. Maercklein



Located  
Corner  
Third and  
Cedar  
Streets



One  
Block  
North of  
Union  
Street



Steam heated, best of conveniences,  
thoroughly sanitary

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Home-like place and located in pleasant part of city

Graduated nurses always in attendance

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All kinds of diseases skillfully and  
carefully treated

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Come, or write, and tell us your ailments. Every case thoroughly  
diagnosed by competent physicians

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One of very best equipped hospitals in Northwest

Our excellent train service makes this point easy of access

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**When notified, bus will meet trains**

# The Oakes Lumber Company

MURRAY BROS., PROPRIETORS

If you are planning to build in the spring let us figure with you on the material. We keep a good line of

## **Lumber of all kinds, Lime and Cement**

We own our own timber lands, cut and saw our own lumber, therefore we are in a position to sell it to you right.

## **Coal and Wood**

We keep both grades of coal and always have on hand a good supply of wood.

**Fuel delivered free to any part of the city**

Your patronage solicited

Yards located just north of flour mill

## **E. Blankenburg**

INDEPENDENT DEALER IN

## **Grain, Feed and Seeds**

We want to meet the farmers and will be glad if they will call and see us.

South elevator on North-Western tracks

W. E. DICKINSON  
Agent

## **The City Restaurant**

S. P. BRONSON, Proprietor

Warm Meals at All Hours      Good Lunches

First Class Accommodations

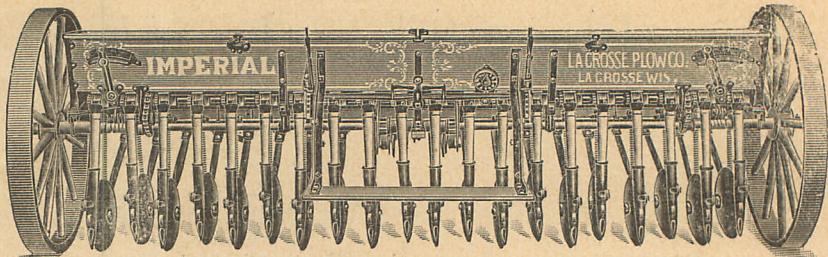
**Open Day and Night**

**Warm Rooms in Connection**

Fine line of  
CIGARS, TOBACCOS and CANDIES

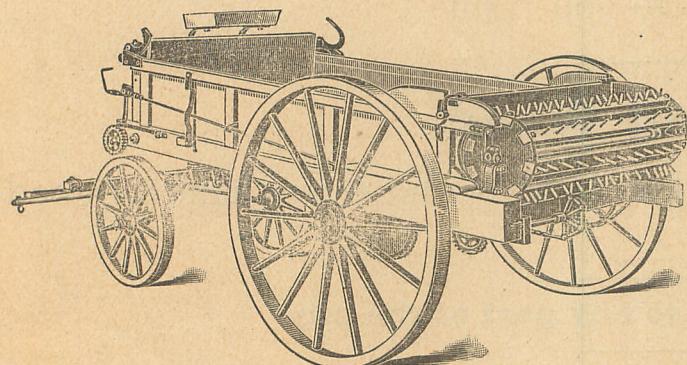
Give us a call  
**We Will Treat You Right**

**Two Leaders  
in the  
Farm  
Implement Line**



Imperial Horse Lift Drill

With their help farmers are assured of a crop in Dickey county.



J. S. Kemp Manure Spreader

I give my entire time to the selection and sale of the best Farm Implements.

**I Can Please You**

**Geo. A. Tuthill**

Oakes, North Dakota

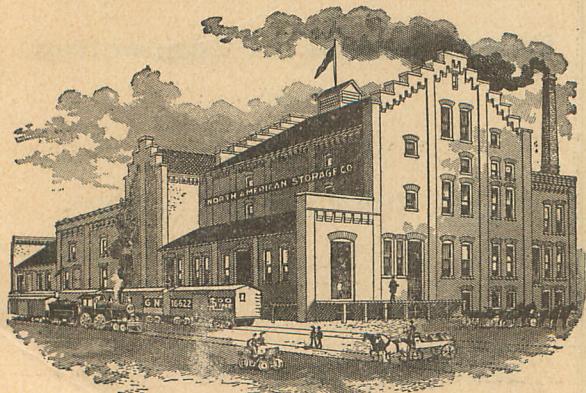
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If you "want"  
to buy a farm  
to buy stock  
to buy city property  
to loan money  
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Write or call on me—I do the rest  
**J. C. HOIDAL,**  
Real Estate, Loans, Rentals  
OAKES, NORTH DAKOTA

I have several nice improved southern Minnesota farms to exchange for North Dakota lands, clear of incumbrance.

"Exchanges a Specialty"

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If you "have"  
farm to sell  
stock to sell  
city property to sell  
money to loan  
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General Office, Paynesville, Minnesota

**North American Storage Co.**

Always pays a fair price for Cream

Absolutely correct weight and  
test guaranteed

Our creamery at Oakes is the largest and  
best equipped in North Dakota

**North American Storage Co.**  
Oakes, North Dakota

THOMAS F. MARSHALL, President

H. CLAY McCARTNEY, Cashier

CHAS. A. NEWTON, Asst. Cashier

# First National Bank

Oakes, North Dakota

Capital, \$25,000

Surplus and Undivided Profits, \$10,000

Does a General Banking business. Issues drafts good in any part of the world.

Pays four per cent interest on Certificates of Deposit and in its  
Savings Department.

Writes all kinds of Insurance.

This institution has long enjoyed an enviable reputation and is noted for its ability  
to take care of its customers in hard as well as in good times.

You are always welcome at the

## First National Bank

THOMAS F. MARSHALL, President

H. CLAY McCARTNEY, Secretary

## Marshall-McCartney Company

Dealers in

## Farm Lands, Live Stock and Grain

### We Make a Specialty of Farm Loans

If you want a loan on your farm, call and see us. We can save you money.

Money loaned with privilege of partial payment.

If you want to sell your farm, or buy the quarter adjoining, call and see us.

Office:

First National Bank Building,

Oakes, North Dakota

1885

1906

# Cash Mercantile Company

Oakes, North Dakota

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

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We are pleased to announce that since our business venture we have added many new customers to our list each year. Our constant effort will be to work each day some improvement in the selling of good merchandise at fair and reasonable prices. We hope to promote the interest of our patrons by making this store more than ever the most convenient, comfortable and satisfactory place to trade.

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With best wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year and soliciting your presence often in our large establishment in 1907, we are,

Very truly yours,

# Cash Mercantile Co.